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THE TIMES Tomorrow

Was Dag Hammarskjold, Secretary of the United Nations, really a post-war hero? Paul Johnson argues in Spectrum that he was not: that he was wrong about Suez, wrong about the Soviet invasion of Hungary – "which he treated as a tiresome distraction" – and wrong about the Congo.
Has Thatcherism been applied to law and order? Peter Evans looks at the main changes in British policing in recent years and the Conservative changes in the law relating to crime.
Suzy Menkes looks at the growing fashion for middle-class mail order; and Roger Scruton reflects on a recent visit to New York.

Fire bomb attack on family

In a spate of sectarian attacks in Belfast a young couple and their daughter aged four were fire-bombed from their home and a public house was bombed. Mr Mervyn McEwan, a Protestant, was found beaten to death in playing fields Page 2

Reagan fear of 'second Cuba'

In his personal address to Congress on Wednesday, President Reagan will say that support of the Administration's policy on Central America, the US's "front line" is a moral duty to avoid a "second Cuba" Page 5

Huckfield out

Mr Leslie Huckfield, the left-wing Labour MP, who decided two years ago not to seek re-election for his Nuneaton seat, was last night outvoted to remain as candidate for the safer re-drawn Wigan constituency, delegates choosing Mr Roger Stott, MP for neighbouring Westhoughton.

Bank withdraws

Midland Bank has decided not to extend its branch network nationwide to cater separately for individual and corporate customers because of the high cost of implementing the strategy Page 15

Turkey relents

Turkey's ruling military council has lifted the 1980 ban on political activities, paving the way for a general election promised for this autumn or early next year Page 5

Shopping buy

Safeway, the American stores chain, is reported to be near to a £35m takeover of Key Markets, the supermarkets group. The deal would produce a combined group of 200 stores Page 15

Firemen hesitate

The threat of a series of one-day firemen's strikes this week receded after it became apparent that enthusiam for industrial action was waning Page 2

Same chair

The accomplice of convicted killer John Louis Evans is to go to the same electric chair in Alabama that took 10 minutes to execute Evans on Friday Page 6

Pole caught

Jozef Pinior, a fugitive Solidarity leader, has been arrested. It is a big blow to the underground a week before the mass demonstrations planned for May Day Page 7

Maxwell move

Robert Maxwell, the chairman of Oxford United Football Club, said he would call off his proposed merger with Reading if the club's future could be guaranteed for five years Page 17

Computer Horizons tomorrow examines the impact of information technology on Westminster, takes a flying visit to the Hanover Fair, explains the wonders of image processing and takes a look at the old town hall and the new bring-and-buy.

BL stewards may defy leaders over strike vote

By David Felton, Labour Correspondent

A return to work by the 5,000 assembly workers at BL's Cowley plant could rest on whether shop stewards decide today to make any recommendation on the peace formula to be put to a mass meeting tomorrow.

BL officials were confident that the formula would be accepted but a stewards' recommendation to throw it out could influence the workers.

It is thought the stewards may try to make a recommendation, in apparent contravention of the agreement reached between national union officials and BL management on Saturday morning after three negotiating sessions spanning 39 hours. The formula was agreed only half an hour before BL's deadline for sending out dismissal letters to the strikers.

It was proposed that the formula would be put to the *mass meeting factually and* without recommendation, but Mr David Buckle, Oxford district secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, said last night that he did not believe the stewards were barred from making a recommendation.

Under the terms of the understanding, Mr Buckle and the other full-time union officials would address the meetings today and tomorrow without indicating approval or rejection. If the mass meeting decides to end the four-week strike, the night shift is expected to return tomorrow with the plant becoming fully operational on Wednesday.

A national union official involved in the negotiations said union leaders would be extremely angry if the stewards made a recommendation. There was a specific point made during the negotiations that while there could be consultation with the stewards, it would be inappropriate for them to put any recommendation to the meeting.

Mr Buckle said: "The stewards will be asked at their meeting to go along with the formula, but if they want to pass a resolution one way or another, that is up to them. I do not think Leyland management would be too happy if the stewards backed the formula but failed to make a recommendation".

He predicted that the mass meeting would be "difficult, to put it mildly" and in the present "highly charged" atmosphere, he could not predict which way the vote would go.

Under the terms of the formula, a four-week "cooling off" period will allow time for negotiation on the introduction of productivity measures and the ending of the six minutes a day "washing time" which has been at the centre of the dispute.

At the same time, a four-man committee will examine industrial relations at the Cowley assembly plant. That team will comprise two BL managers and two union officials, all from outside the Cowley area, and will consider "any specific complaint either party may have about the other".

BL has agreed to give Cowley assembly audited plant status after agreement on productivity proposals and the ending of washing time, which would increase the weekly bonus ceiling from £18.75 to £30.

Union officials believe they have secured two real gains from the management in a formular which, on the face of it, appears to be a victory for the management's determination to introduce "bell to bell" working at the plant.

The unions claim that the old style of management by imposition will be replaced by a regime which seeks to introduce changes by agreement.

The company believes it has come out of the dispute with its position very little changed and the prospect of an early end to the washing time practice.

Some of the strikers are expected to try to return to work this morning but although BL has said that the gates at Cowley will be open, the unions are planning to mount a picket to prevent production resuming. The strike has led to the loss of about 17,000 cars with a showroom value of £90m.

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Jaguar sales boom

Jaguar is breaking all productively and sales records, especially in the United States, where the strong dollar is helping BL profits. Sales of Jaguars in the US in the first quarter of this year were 60 per cent more than in the same period last year. Sales in Europe also rose by 58 per cent, and almost doubled in West Germany. Productivity this year is 41 per cent up on that for the first quarter of 1982.

Hitler's secret diaries

Germans greet find with great scepticism

From Michael Binyon Bonn

German historians and newspapers have greeted wih considerable scepticism the announcement that Hitler's diaries have been discovered, echoing the view in Britain that this is either the forgery of the century or necessitates the rewriting of the history of the Nazi period.

Professor Karl-Dieter Bracher of Bonn University, one of the most respected historians of the period, expressed "great scepticism" and said a proper evaluation of the find and its contents was only possible after a careful scientific examination.

Professor Martin Broszat, director of the Munich Institute for Contemporary History, also cast doubt on the documents' authenticity, declaring, however, that Lord Dacre, who expressed conviction in *The Times* on Saturday that the diaries were genuine, was a "very careful man who took great care with his sources".

Lord Dacre is giving a press conference in Hamburg today which will attract worldwide attention.

Stern's announcement on Friday has provoked astonishment and enormous interest here. The magazine has brought forward the publication of the issue revealing the diaries, and printed a record edition over the weekend of more than two million copies.

German papers and reports have had to rely so far for details on the extracts already published in *The Sunday Times*, retranslating quotations from the diaries back into German. Newspapers, publishing pictures of the Nazi leaders *mentioned in The Sunday Times* extracts, have also gone into detail about the way the documents were discovered and acquired by *Stern*.

Herr Nicolaus von Below, Hitler's former air force adjutant, told the mass circulation *Bild am Sonntag* that the diaries were just another of the many untrue "fairy stories" circulating since the end of the war.

"We often used to eat at about three or four o'clock in the night, and only after that did Hitler go to bed", Herr von Below who was constantly in *Hitler's entourage from 1937* until the end of the war told the paper. "So he had no time to write anything. It's all a complete lie."

The paper also quoted Professor Werner Maser, who has written books on Hitler, saying that a forgery factory existed in Potsdam, East Germany, to turn out Hitler documents, letters and pictures which were then sold to the West for valuable Western currency. Professor Maser took part in one of the television debates on the diaries at the weekend.

Stern has rejected his statements, saying he had disqualified himself as a scientific historian. He had already offered his story of the East German forgery factory to the magazine; but had been unable to back up his claims with any proof or real indication of its existence.

Former General Hans Baur, now aged 86, who was Hitler's chief pilot and recalled Hitler's distress at hearing of the loss of his diaries, stood by his conviction that they are genuine.

He told *Bild am Sonntag*: "When I told Hitler of the crash of the aircraft which should have taken the documents to Salzburg, he reacted very strongly. He said: 'It would have to happen to that aircraft in which I placed the records of all my actions'."

Stern is to publish the diaries in three batches over the next 18 months. *The extracts in The Sunday Times* yesterday showed that the 60 handwritten volumes cover Hitler's private life, especially his relations with Eva Braun, his mistress.

He was bitterly contemptuous of some of his most powerful colleagues. Of Himmler, head of the SS, he said in April, 1935: "I don't need any kind of investigations by Himmler. He is also snooping on E (Eva)." In an entry four years later he said: "I have threatened to send him before a party court. I shall show this deceitful little animal breeder, this unfathomable little penny-pincher with his lust for power, what I an really like."

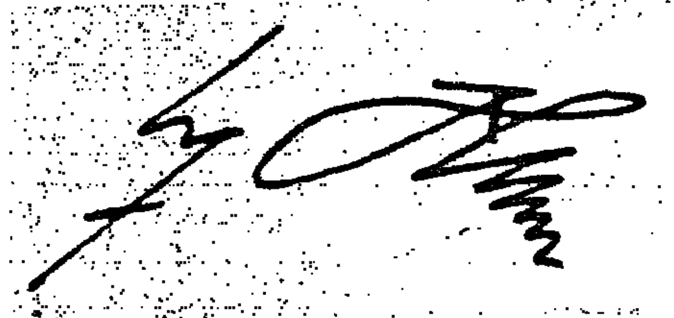
In 1943 Hitler is complaining about the level of guerrilla activity in occupied territory, which he says was Himmler's job to stamp out. "But he lives in another world, and it seems to me that he exists in an ancient Germanic world in the heavens."

Hitler complains also of Goebbels's notorious affair with the Czech actress Lida Barrova: "The little Dr Goebbels is up to his old tricks again with women." He asks at one point: "Where are Goering's miraculous aircraft?" And in 1934, at the time of the purge of the brownshirts, he accused Ernst Roehm, the brownshirt leader, of lying to him. "I gave him the opportunity to take the noble way out but he was too cowardly to do even that." He was shot on Hitler's orders.

The last entry is undated and was written only a fortnight before his suicide. As the Russians closed in on Berlin, Hitler said: "The long-awaited offensive has begun. May the Lord God stand by us."



Lord Dacre off to Hamburg from Heathrow yesterday. "I do believe . . . the diaries are genuine," page 2



The Hitler signature on the diaries

CND decry 'smear' by Heseltine

By Nicholas Timmins

Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for Defence was accused yesterday of "cheap smear" and of getting his facts wrong *in his list* of left-wingers and alleged communists on the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament's national council.

Mr Heseltine used the list in a letter to Conservative MPs and prospective candidates at the weekend to argue that CND was an organization "led and dominated by left-wing activists ranging through the Labour Party to the Communist Party".

Mr Heseltine named 14 of the six officers and 20 nationally elected representatives of CND's 106-member council as being Labour Party, Communist or ex-Communist Party members, or in one case as being "associated with International Socialists", a former Trotskyist group. He named four more alleged communists as being among the 73 regionally elected members of the council.

Ms Melinda Letts, administrative secretary to the council said yesterday: "Mr Heseltine has in some casees simply got his facts wrong; in others he has used names selectively to give a misleading impression".

Of the four "communists" Mr Heseltine names as being regional representatives, two, Ms Sue Duerdoth and Mr Ron McIlroy, are not members of CND's national council; a third, Mr Will Howard, left the

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Mr Heseltine: "Has got his facts wrong".

Steel says he would bow to Jenkins

By George Clark

Mr David Steel, leader of the Liberals, confirmed yesterday that in private talks with Mr Roy Jenkins, leader of the Social Democratic Party, it has been agreed that the Liberal-SDP Alliance will go into the election with Mr Steel as leader of the joint campaign, Mr *Jenkins as the prime minister* designate should the Alliance be called on to form a government.

On the basis of the present opinion polls, this would seem an unlikely prospect and it means that Mr Steel will emerge as the most dominant figure in the election, to the satisfaction of many Liberals who have been disappointed with Mr Jenkins' lack-lustre performances at public meetings in recent months.

Mr Steel is seen as a much more aggressive politician, with an appeal to younger voters which Mr Jenkins cannot rival. But the "arrangement" mutually agreed by the two leaders in private still has to come up for endorsment by a joint meeting of Liberal and SDP members of Parliament on Wednesday. Yesterday, when interviewed by Mr Brian Walden the Independent Television programme, *Weekend World*, Mr Steel was *confident that the MPs* will agree.

But it may not rest entirely with them. Both parties pride themselves on their democratic nature and there could be demands from the membership for a say in the matter. For instance, many Liberals think the Alliance should go into the election with Mr Steel as prime minister designate.

Mr Steel is regarded by them as the more dynamic leader, and public opinion polls have indicated that he is a popular leader. He will be chairman of the joint campaign committee, and he emphasized yesterday that no firm declaration about a prime minister designate would be made until the election period begins.

In running the campaign someone had to take the final decisions, and that someone would be *him* (Mr Steel) "Obviously, if we were successful in forming a government, one person ought to be prime minister and I have never made any secret of my view that it should be Roy Jenkins.

"But, equally, the role of deputy prime minister would not be the same as the role of Mr Whitelaw to Mrs Thatcher and I do not mean that offensively". Mr Steel added "There would be a quite different relationship and they would be sustained by two political parties. Therefore the positon of deputy prime minister would be very much more powerful than in the present government".

He denied that he had been a party to any "shoddy deals"

Confirming that there had already been vague hints from the Labour and Conservative parties about a separate collaboration agreement with the Liberals in the event of a "hung" Parliament, Mr Steel made clear that the Alliance would not be split: "There is no agreement possible with the Liberal party on its own, or the SDP on its own."

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The leaders: Mutually agreed arrangement

Two aims of Shultz Middle East tour

From Nicholas Ashford, Washington

As the United States received back the bodies of those who died in last week's Beirut Embassy bomb blast, Mr *George Shultz*, the Secretary of State, left for the Middle East in a renewed US effort to bring peace and stability to that troubled region.

The main purpose of his journey is to press for a speedy withdrawal of Israeli, Syrian, and Palestine Liberation Organization forces from Lebanon. But it is also designed to reinforce American determination to press ahead with President Reagan's peace initiative despite the body blow it received earlier this month after the refusal of King Husain of Jordan to participate in the talks on Palestinian autonomy.

Mr Shultz sounded a deliberately upbeat note on the eve of his departure. In an interview with the *Washington Post* he said there were signs that Arab leaders may be taking a second look at the Reagan peace plan.

"It does seem to me," he told the newspaer, "that there is a certain shock that has taken hold, as I read the cables from various Arab capitals, in which people are saying to themselves: are we really going to pass this up? Maybe we can't afford to do that."

He insisted that the President's plan was not dead despite *King Husain's refusal* to join the talks with the US, Israel, and Egypt. "I think it is as well for them (the Arabs) to talk among themselves and see if they are not missing the boat."

Mr Shultz noted that US attempts to bring the Jordanian monarch into the peace process had almost succeeded but had been undercut by radical elements in the PLO.

He made it clear that he regarded a withdrawal of foreign forces from the Lebanon as a first step towards a wider peace agreement in the Middle East, and he seemed reasonably confident that such an agreement was near at hand.

Mr Shultz and President Reagan were present at a moving and sombre ceremony at an Air Force base outside Washington to mark the return of the bodies of 16 of the 17 Americans killed in the Embassy blast. A military guard of honour stood at attention in front of the flag-draped coffins and a band played "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" as the Pesident walked past.

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Kreisky's majority in danger

Vienna (Reuter) – Chancellor Bruno Kreisky's Socialist Party appeared, in yesterday's general election, to be in serious danger of losing its absolute majority in Parliament, although remaining the strongest party, according to computer forecasts.

The election statistician, Professor Gerhart Bruckmann, predicted the Socialists would win between 90 and 92 seats in the 183-member National Council. The conservative People's Party would win 81 or 82 and the rightist-liberal Freedom Party 10 or 11.

If the Socialists retain their absolute majority, it will enable Dr Kreisky to head a Socialist government for a record fifth successive term.

Failure will open the possibility of a minority administration.

Dr Kreisky, aged 72, has said he will step down if his party fails to gain an absolute majority.

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Explosion sends fumes over city

Four people were taken to hospital after a huge explosion sent a mushroom cloud of chemical fumes into the air over the city of Nottingham yesterday. The blast ripped off a large part of the roof at the Boots chemical factory in Sneinton, near the city centre.

A man inside the factory, two outside contractors and a passing motorist were taken to hospital, where they were detained for observation. None was seriously hurt. They were admitted as a safety precaution after coming into contact with chemical fumes which temporarily cause a tingling sensation of the skin.

Firemen and officials from the Severn Trent Water Authority were yesterday working to prevent the chemical Bronopal, from seeping into the River Trent.

Mr Terry Steele, a director of Boots, said that the cause of the explosion was not yet known but was being investigated. The blast took place in a reaction vessel which was producing the chemical which is used to kill bacteria and mould in pharmaceutical products.

"When the vessel exploded some acid fumes went into the air but were quickly dispersed. There is no danger to people in the area", he said. Other parts of the factory would be back to production today.

The explosion damaged a local public house and debris from the roof narrowly missed a pedestrian. The motorist was driving past when a cloud of chemical dust descended on his car.

One eye witness said: "The blast shook the entire factory. There was a huge cloud of white dust which mushroomed up into the air and drifted towards the city centre. It left an acrid taste in the mouth."

Desert troops forbidden to wear medal

From Christopher Walker, El Gurah, Sinai

Angry protests have been lodged with the Ministry of Defence in London over the Government's refusal to permit British soldiers serving with the Multinational Force and Observers (MFO) in the Sinai from wearing the elegant campaign medal awarded to all those with over 90 days' service monitoring the peace between Israel and Egypt.

Resentment over the ban has come to a head because of today's full-dress parade here to celebrate the controversial force's first anniversary. The British, along with the Australians, New Zealanders and French, will be the only troops among the 11 nationalities in the MFO unable to wear bronze replicas of Picasso's dove of peace.

"The frustrating part is having to watch men from places like Colombia and Italy standing with these pinned on their chests, while we have to keep ours locked away", an English lieutenant explained. "It seems the only place we are allowed to wear it is in bed."

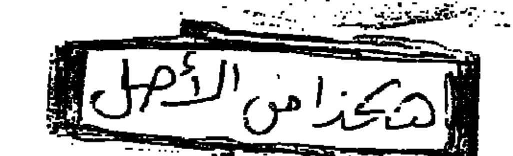
The British are barred from wearing the medal because the MFO, unlike the United Nations, is not recognized as a sovereign state. Of the three other Commonwealth countries in the force, Australia and New Zealand are seeking permission to waive the rule, while the Fijian battalion have decided to ignore it.

Officers with the 38-strong British contingent are openly critical over the Government's decision, which they say they have been ordered not to discuss with the press.

Speaking at the airbase which once saw the launch of the Entebbe raid, and is now the MFO headquarters, garrison Sergeant Major Philip Ward told *The Times*: "The men are very upset about this decision. Things are made worse because the British Army only produces a very limited number of medals in the first place." One officer who refused to be identified referred to the years of indecision about whether to grant a medal to mark service in Northern Ireland.

The Sinai ban is blamed by the British contingent on bureaucratic bungling in London. One major told me: "When you feel that you are out here doing something for peace, it is ridiculous that you are not allowed to show off your pride by wearing the very medal you have been given for your service."

Forgotten army, page 6



Controversy over Hitler diaries

Dacre to examine the manuscripts again

By Rupert Morris and Richard Evans

Lord Dacre of Glanton, (Hugh Trevor-Roper) the only British historian to have had access to the newly discovered Hitler diaries, flew to Hamburg yesterday to examine then further as academic controversy mounted over their authenticity.

At a press conference today he is expected to expand on his reasons for believing that the 60 handwritten volumes discovered in a hayloft almost 35 years after the end of the Second World War are the Führer's own personal diaries.

"I do belive that the Hitler diaries are genuine, but there are complications". Lord Dacre said before leaving Heathrow airport.

"I will not put a percentage figure on my belief. I admit there are problems and I have said what they are and it is those problems that I want to work out."

Asked about a claim that there was no evidence that Hitler kept diaries, he said: "There was no evidence about Hitler's table talk either, and no

Possibility of forgery

one denies that. There is a possibility that the diaries were forged.

"There was always that possibility but it would have been a very difficult operation. I have studied the handwriting and I belive it to be Hitler's. But on the technical side, I would prefer to leave it to the graphologists."

Meanwhile Lord Bullock, another eminent historian and Hitler expert, propsed yesterday that an international group of historians should be given full access to the diaries to determine whether they are genuine.

He and others sceptical about the documents, which are being held in a Swiss bank vault, have criticized the evidence of Lord Dacre on the ground that he has only seen them for a single afternoon.

Lord Dacre will be asking *Stern* magazine, the West German weekly which uncovered the diaries, for the opportunity for a more detailed examination, which he is confident will reinforce his opinion, published in *The Times* last Saturday. The diaries are being serialized in *The Sunday Times*.

Lord Bullock, author of *Hitler: A Study in Tyranny*, said yesterday that his doubts about the diaries stemmed from the extraordinary efforts made over the years to scrape together every scrap of information about Hitler.

"There has never been a suggestion that he kept diaries, and if he did there are things that would be difficult to explain, for example the accounts we have from many people of his physical condition in the last years of his life, and particularly the shaking hand."

'Open diaries up for study'

Speaking on BBC radio's *The World this Weekend*, he said the only way to establish whether the diaries were authentic was to open them up to an international group of historians. Such a group should include British, French, German and Jewish members.

Lord Bullock said that no one should be surprized by the disclosure in the diaries that Hitler personally approved the flight of Rudolf Hess, his deputy, to Scotland in May, 1941, or that he ordered his troops not to destroy the British Expeditionary Forces at Dunkirk in 1940.

"From the very first day of the news that Hess had flown to Britain, the possibility that Hitler had tried this on has been discussed very freely. I think the general biew is that Hitler did know about it, or if he did it was only in the most hazy way."

"I still believe he did not know about it, but we coud be proved wrong. But it is nothing surprizing. If I was setting out to forge these documents that would be one of the things I would want to forge if it was going to be sensational."

German generals were the first to admit that they had been stopped from encircling the British at Dunkirk. People made a great fuss about this point because they were surprised that Hitler should want to hold back, Lord Bullock said.

The most strident criticism of the diaries has come from Mr David Irving, author of *Hitler's War* and a historian who has around passionate opposition for his apparent readiness to defend Hitler.

Mr Irving said that after seeing copies of pages of the documents he had come to the conclusion that they were fakes.

It was highly improbable that Hitler could have written the diaries after his right arm had been damaged in the assassination attempt against him in 1944. Mr Irving said he believed the diaries were the work of a forgery factory in Potsdam which worked for the East German Government.

But Professor Peter Stern, head of the German department at University College London and author of *Hitler: The Führer and the People*, yesterday dismissed the theory about

'There are one or two mysteries'

Hitler's inability to write because of his alleged injury.

"I have looked at photographs this morning, including one in Joachim Fest's biography of Hitler, that show him on the same day as he survived the assassination with his right hand perfectly in tact."

Professor Harry Hinsley, master of St John's college, Cambridge, and official historian of British intelligence in the war, said that if the diaries were guenuine he doubted if they would contain anything of any value.

"We have such an enormous amount of information now. It is true there are one or two mysteries, such as why Hess flew here, but they are very unimportant questions. On all the important things that matter we do not need any more information.

"If they are genuine they do not, from what I have read, appear to be factual diaries but essays written up after the event, and obviously very subjective essays. They would not be very reliable."



Hitler's signatures in 1932 (top) and 1945, with the doubting historians: from left: Mr David Irving, Lord Bullock and Professor Harry Hinsley.

Science report

Genetics seen in a new dimension

By the Staff of *Nature*.

We hear a lot these days about DNA, the double-helix genetic molecule that both controls every cell in the body and, through the germ cells, passes on instructions to the next generation. It resides in the cell's nucleus, but where is it in the nucleus? How is it arranged?

Those questions might affect how the DNA behaves, and how it interacts with itself, as it must, to control development of the embryo and the later activity of the cell in the body.

Now Dr David Agard and Dr John Sedat of the University of California at San Francisco have devised a way to answer them.

Even now, Dr Agard and Dr Sedat's work is limited to the giant cells of the salivary gland of the scientists' favourite fly, Drosophila, but the exciting thing about their technique is that it could be applied almost anywhere.

The method involves a simple combination of two instruments from the opposite ends of the historical spectrum: the optical microscope and the computer. The two scientists actually exploited a common shortcoming of the microscope, that it keeps in focus only a very thin slice of the object being studied, while everything else is blurred.

They assembled a microscope in which this effect was exaggerated to the extent that it could effectively "slice" the *Drosophila nucleus*, producing images which would reveal the assembly of the DNA in the cell, layer by layer as the focus of the instrument was stepped down through the cell.

The stepping required is too fine for the human hand, so the knob was turned by a low-geared stepping motor, that moved the focus on by just 1,000 atoms a step. At each step a photograph was taken.

Then a computer was used to calculate what, on each picture, was caused by blurring of other levels, and what was caused by the objects actually in focus. Since the scientists had previously stained the chromosomes (the little string-like units in which the DNA is first assembled) the composite pictures that emerged from the computer calculations were the first pictures of the arrangement of the chromosomes in a non-dividing cell nucleus.

The chromosomes in these Drosophila cells appear to arrange themselves in parallel groups in certain places and in controlled groups in others. This broad geometry was repeated in each saliva cell that Dr Agard and Dr Sedat studied.

After this discovery, many questions crowd in. Does the organization repeat itself in other cells of the fly? Or does each tissue have a different pattern? How does the arrangement correspond to the arrangement of the genes on the chromosomes?

Which genes does it place next to which, and why? What of other organisms?

The beauty of this simple work is that these questions arise, and offer, literally, a new dimension to genetics.

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Overseas selling prices
Austria Sch 28; Bahrain BD 0.650; Belgium B frs 30; Canada $2.80; Canaries Pes 150; Cyprus 550 mils; Denmark Dkr 7.80; Dubai Dir 7.00; Finland Mkk 7.00; France Frs 7.00; Germany DM 3.50; Greece Dr 100; Holland Gl 3.25; Iran IR 136; Iraq LD 0.500; Irish Republic 40p; Italy L 2200; Jordan LD 0.425; Kuwait KD 0.500; Lebanon L1 4.00; Luxembourg Lf 33; Madeira Esc 120; Morocco Dir 7; Norway Kr 7.60; Oman OR 0.700; Pakistan Rps 12; Portugal Esc 120; Qatar QR 7.50; Saudi Arabia SR 4.50; Singapore $5.00; Spain Pes 150; Sweden Skr 8.00; Switzerland S Frs 5.00; Syria L$5.60; Tunisia Din 0.600; USA $1.80; UAE Dir 7.00; Yugoslavia Din 180.

Spate of sectarian attacks in Belfast

From Richard Ford, Belfast

A young couple and their daughter aged four were fire-bombed from their home and a public house was bombed in Belfast yesterday in sectarian attacks by "loyalist" extremists.

In another incident a man from the loyalist Donegal Road area of Belfast was seriously injured when a bomb exploded at the back of a house in the university area.

The body of a man aged 32 was found yesterday on playing fields dividing Roman Catholic and Protestant housing areas in the north of the city. He had been so savagely attacked with a hatchet and beaten on the head that it was several hours before he could be identified.

Security forces carried out a controlled explosion in the Divis Flats complex in west Belfast after the Irish National Liberation Army said that it had planted a booby-trap bomb intended for soldiers in a lockup garage.

The terrorists had expected the garage to be searched by the security forces, but when that did not happen they became alarmed that local residents might trigger the device. Using a code word, they got in touch with a local newspaper to warn it of the danger.

The young couple and their daughter had moved into their terrace house in the strongly Protestant Woodstock area of Belfast only 24 hours before it was engulfed in flames. They were not injured.

The couple, who are expecting a second child, are believed to have been singled out for attack because theirs is a mixed marriage.

The Protestant Action Force, a loyalist paramilitary group, claimed responsibility for bombing the Hole in the Wall bar, in north Belfast. A small device was thrown into the doorway but none of the 12 customers was injured.

£90m ship delay

Faults in electric cabling will delay the launching of the £90m HMS Challenger, claimed to be the world's most advanced deep-sea diving ship, the Scott Lithgow yard on the lower Clyde said yesterday.

Customs strike threatened

Anger over job cuts is expected to lead to industrial action by customs officers at Dover this week, and a free run for any smugglers arriving at the port. The Customs and Excise board has announced that 500 jobs a year are to go until 1988 in addition to the 3,100 jobs lost since 1979.

Amid claims by the Society of Civil and Public Servants, which represents the men, that the customs service is in danger of collapse, officers are planning meetings with the officers and the board during the next two days.

The union says that while job cuts have affected all points of entry on a national basis, it has particularly affected Dover.

Arson claim

Mr Anthony Steen, the Conservative MP for Liverpool, Wavertree, blamed left-wing extremists for a fire which yesterday badly damaged the Wavertree Conservative Association building. Firemen said they had found traces of petrol.

Spying claim

Security services last night were investigating a claim in the *Mail on Sunday* that Herr Heinz Knobbe, the deputy East German ambassador, has been trying to infiltrate international organizations in London to influence their policy.

Manhunt offer

Citizens' band radio enthusiasts have offered their help to detectives hunting the killer of Andrew Waldron, aged five, who was battered to death on Saturday in his home of Hale Drive, Speke, Liverpool.

Rejected Tory MP still fighting

By George Clark

Sir Anthony Meyer, Conservative MP for Flint West, who is challenging the adoption of Miss Beata Brookes, a Member of the European Parliament, as prospective Tory candidate for the new safe Westminster seat of Clwyd, North-west, will continue his campaign this week to have the decision changed.

On Saturday he went to the new constituency's Conservative Association office in Colwyn Bay to hand in nomination papers. There was a heated argument with Mr Nicholas Sheppard, the agent, and two supporters of Miss Brookes. Mr Sheppard, who accepted the papers, said a decision would be announced "in due course".

Sir Anthony, whose present seat will disappear under boundary changes, has complained about alleged irregularities in Miss Brookes' nomination.

He has the backing of Mr Geraint Morgan, Conservative MP for Denbigh, whose seat is also to disappear. He too was beaten by Miss Brookes.

That decision is subject to endorsement by the fully paid-up membership of the new constituency association on May 9. This was planned as a formal adoption meeting, but the Meyer supporters believe they have a legal precedent for converting it into another selection meeting.

In Bridgend, South Wales, a candidate had been chosen from a short list by the executive council, but at the full constituency meeting a local man, Mr Peter Hubbard-Miles, was nominated from the floor and selected.

Sir Anthony Grant, Conservative MP for Harrow, Central, since 1964, announced on Saturday that he will not contest the newly formed constituency of Harrow, East, in the interests of his party.

His seat disappears and he lost the contest for Harrow, East, to Mr Hugh Dykes, its present MP. Some of Sir Anthony's supporters had been trying to reverse that decision.

Mr Mark Carlisle, Conservative MP for Runcorn, and a former Secretary of State for Education and Science, has been selected for the new Warrington, South, constituency, which includes much of his present constituency.

Mr Frank Dobson, aged 43, Labour MP for Holborn and St Pancras, South, since 1979, was selected as prospective candidate for the new constituency of Holborn and St Pancras last night, by 61 votes to 56, in preference to Mr Jock Stallard, aged 62, who has been MP for St Pancras, North, since 1970.

Boundary changes have reduced three constituencies, Hampstead and the two St Pancras seats, to two: Hampstead and Highgate, and Holborn and St Pancras.

Mr Stallard did not challenge for the Hampstead and Highgate nomination which went to Mr John McDonnell, chairman of the finance committee of the Greater London Council.

Fire service strike recedes

By David Felton
Labour Correspondent

The threat of a series of firemen's one-day strikes, starting this week, receded last night after it became apparent that enthusiasm for industrial action is waning.

The Fire Brigades Union executive will today hear a report of regional voting on action against the Government's decision to increase firemen's contributions to their index linked pensions.

An earlier consultation exercise came down heavily in favour of lightning strikes without emergency cover, but a compromise drawn up by local authority employers, under which the 4 per cent increase would be introduced in two stages, appears to have been more palatable.

The final decision the strikes will be taken by 300 delegates at a special union conference at TUC headquarters tomorrow.

Union officials believe that the executive's strike call will be narrowly defeated

Firemen contribute 6.75 per cent of pensionable pay and under the latest formula that contribution will be increased by 2 per cent from May 1 and a further 2 per cent from November 1

● Leaders of the National Union of Railwaymen will warn British Rail this week that it may take industrial action unless the activities of the breakaway Federation of Professional Railway Staff are curbed.

The federation is unlikely to be officially recognized for bargaining purposes by BR, but Mr Tom Ham, NUR president, said that any form of recognition would lead to industrial action by his 150,000-strong union.

Sale room

£264,000: the price of independence

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

A copy of the American *Declarattion of Independence* was sold for $412,500 (£264,423) by Christie's in New York on Friday, the highest price recorded at auction for a copy of the broadsheet and doubled Christie's estimate.

Only 22 copies of the declaration are known to have survived, of which 19 were previously held by institutions. This copy came to light only recently in a library which had been handed down from Joseph Hewes, of North Carolina, one of 56 delegates who signed the document in 1776. It was sent for sale by John Gilliam Wood, of Hayes Plantation, Edenton, North Carolina, and was bought by the Chapin Library at Williams College, Williamstown, Massachusetts.

The library was a distinguished collection of rare American documents but succeeded in raising the money for Friday' purchase with only minutes to spare. Christie's said the telephone call confirming that the library had enough money to buy was received during the auction, with only four lots left to sell before the declaration was offered.

The sale of printed and manuscript Americana totalled £476,081, with only 2 per cent unsold.

Meanwhile, Sotheby's in New York held a series of sales of English art and artifacts as a contribution to the "Britain Salutes New York 1983" arts festival. A furniture sale on Saturday totalled £985,771, with 16 per cent unsold.

Among the top prices was the $71,500 (£45,687) paid by a private collector for a fine pair of George II carved walnut side chairs by Giles Grendey, of Clerkenwell, dating from about 1740. They were expected to fetch $60,000 to $80,000.



The west Midlands

Tories likely to weather the storm

By David Walker
Local Government Correspondent



A month ago councils in the West Midlands clubbed together to seek extra government aid for a region hit suddenly, sharply and probably irrecoverably by industrial recession.

Two out of five school-leavers in Birmingham are jobless. A single factory closure in Walsall – Rubery Owen – put 4,000 out of work.

But, in the words of Mr Keith Andrews, the Conservative agent in Birmingham: "Mrs Thatcher has brought about a sea change of opinion. People are not blaming the Government for the high level of unemployment."

Publicly, Labour's view is that the national opinion polls are wrong: canvass returns suggest voters are swinging their way. Privately, regional officials are sure only that Labour will keep what it has: the solid areas of Wolverhampton, Coventry, Stoke and Sandwell (West Bromwich and Smethwick).

Birmingham is a jewel in the municipal crown. Since May last year the city has been Conservative; not Thatcherite, but canny in the administrative traditions of the great Birmingham politician Joseph Chamberlain. The council has cut spending and cut the rates.

Labour needs a swing of 6 to 7 per cent from 1982's voting figures to get the six extra wards it needs for outright control. Given the unemployment, the ostentatious moderation of Labour leaders in the city and the disappearance of the "Falklands factor", Labour ought to triumph.

But there is no such optimism. At best, Labour might gain two seats from the Liberals and force the Conservatives to govern without an overall majority.

If Labour had the wind in its sails, it should take over Dudley and Walsall. In the first, the Conservative council has created opposition by its spending cuts in the schools; in the second, the Tory-led "anti-socialist coalition" in charge of administration is in disarray. But the position in neither council is likely to change.

In Walsall, the Conservatives are attacking the remains of a Labour plan introduced before May 1982 to hive off town hall services to a ring of neighbourhood offices; they say it is expensive and inefficient. Labour says it is certain to get four of the five seats it needs to take back the overall control it lost last year.

The Social Democrats and Liberals are not much in evidence in the Birmingham conurbation. The Liberals are strong to the west, in Herefordshire. The Alliance claims to be on the point of toppling Labour from its control of Worcester. The Social Democrats talk of inroads in rural Warwickshire and Worcestershire.

In the wider west Midlands region there are potentially interesting contests in such places as Redditch and Rugby, where there have been changes in boundaries: in both, Labour gains could threaten the position of Conservative MPs if translated into general election terms. In The Wrekin, the district around Telford new town, Labour is confident of holding its position.

But the question for the West Midlands Labour Party remains: why do people who are acutely feeling the pinch not coalesce into a solid block of anti-Tory votes?

CND decry 'smear' by Heseltine

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Communist Party earlier this year.

Of the five officers and nationally elected members with Communist Party links, three, Professor Michael Pentz, who is one of CND's four vice-chairmen, Mr E P Thompson, and Mr Phil Bolsover, left the Communist Party more than 25 years ago, in 1956 or 1957, as Mr Heseltine's list acknowledges. Mr Bolsover, aged 75, has just been made a vice-president of CND and no longer has a vote on its council, while Mr John Cox another communist who Mr Heseltine named is also a vice-president and has no vote on the council, which decides policy between CND's annual conferences.

Mr Roger Spiller, aged 40, a vice-chairman of CND who Mr Heseltine said "is associated with the International Socialists" said yesterday he had been a member of the Labour Party since he was 16, and had never belonged to the leftist group.

Mrs Joan Ruddock, chairman of CND, said yesterday: "Mr Heseltine's attack is just another attempt to try and smear CND. He appears to be suggesting that there is some kind of conspiracy going on; nothing could be further from the truth." Letters, page 11

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Train hit by dislodged kerbstone

Mr Richard Briggs, the driver of an Inter-City train, was in hospital with a fractured skull yesterday after being knocked unconscious in his cab by a 2.5cwt stone slab. The emergency braking system stopped the train, carrying about fifty passengers, after a few hundred yards.

The accident, on line from King's Cross to Harrogate, North Yorkshire, happened after a van crashed into Nab Bridge, at Rigton, near Harrogate, dislodging a 4ft by 1ft kerbstone, which crashed through the driver's cab as the train went under the bridge at about 60 mph.

Mr Ian Firth, the van driver, of Sycamore Avenue, Bradford, was unhurt and none of the passengers were injured.

Actor faces two charges

Peter Adamson, the actor who plays Len Fairclough in the television serial *Coronation Street*, is to appear before magistrates in Rossendale, Lancashire, on May 9 to face two charges of indecent assault.

Mr Adamson, aged 53, married with two sons, was arrested on Saturday and held overnight at Haslingden police station in Lancashire. He was granted bail yesterday and returned home to Bury, Greater Manchester.

Dispute causes petrol shortage

Fifteen garages in central Scotland have had to close because of petrol shortages caused by a dispute involving 110 BP tanker drivers. The dispute is over the company's occasional use of independent delivery firms.

The drivers have gained support from colleagues in other companies, and Shell drivers have agreed not to cross the picket line at Grangemouth, Stirlingshire.

MP's son accused

Randolph Leonard Spencer Churchill, aged 18, the son of Mr Winston Churchill, MP, is to appear at Croydon Magistrates' Court on July 27 to face a summons, taken out by British Transport Police, alleging that he avoided his train fare on a journey between Haywards Heath, Sussex, and London.

Video death hunt

Detectives investigating the killing of Gillian Atkins, aged 14, at Deeping St James, Lincolnshire, on April 15, are showing villagers a video film to try to gain information. The film, featuring a stand-in, shows her last known movements.

Radio closedown

Global Radio, an international radio service which has been providing programmes for the blind for the past 23 years, has been forced to close after thieves stole equipment worth thousands of pounds from its studio at Folkestone, Kent.

Yachtsmen safe

Mr George Shearman, of Chandlers Ward, Hampshire, and Mr Kyle Astbury, of Eastleigh, Hampshire, waded to the shore yesterday after their 25ft yacht was beaten on to rocks and sank in the Solent.

Memorial to 'H'

A memorial to Lieutenant-Colonel H. Jones, VC, was unveiled in the cloisters of Eton College, his former school, by Mrs Sara Jones, his widow, on Saturday. He died leading an attack to recapture the Falklands.

Two die in fire

Two women were found dead yesterday after fire swept their home in Charles Street, Blackpool. They were Mrs Elizabeth Wilkinson, aged 89, and her daughter, Mrs Janet Coupe, aged 63.

Violent end

Robert Manson, aged 37, of Castlemilk, Glasgow, who was jailed for 12 years in 1968 for attempted murder, was found battered to death in a gutter in the city on Saturday.

Stricter legislation against under-age drinking demanded by JPs' clerks

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

Stricter licensing laws to curb the growth in drink-related crimes, particularly among the young, are called for by the Justices' Clerks' Society today.

Under-age drinking is now "so grave that draconian measures are needed to cope with it", the society of 350 chief legal advisers to magistrates in England and Wales says in a paper.

Publicans widely flout the law against selling intoxicating liquor to people aged under 18 or by allowing them to consume it, and yet there are few prosecutions, the society adds.

The link between sales to the young and their subsequent involvement in crime was "too strong to ignore and is an area of grave concern not only to the courts but to the public in general and to parents in particular".

The evidence pointed to alcohol consumption and abuse having risen to such levels that it was having a severely adverse effect on the incidence of crime; there was a demonstrated link day by day between under-age drinking and crime.

Courts daily saw the effect of excessive alcohol consumption in offences of drunkenness, drunken driving, public disorder, assault, criminal damage, dishonesty, burglary and theft.

Many of the crimes were committed by young people after they left licensed premises, with the public house and licensed discotheque having taken the place for thousands of teenagers of the coffee bar and the youth club.

The society calls for a strengthening of the Licensing Act, 1964, to impose strict liability for the offence of selling alcohol to a person aged under 18 or allowing him to consume it.

The present defence that the licence holder reasonably believes the person to be over 18 should be abolished, it says, because the law is an insufficient deterrent to licence holders and makes prosecution difficult.

Because of the implications of the measure, however, a system of formal cautions should be introduced, with three cautions giving ground for the cancellation of a licence.

A breach of the law would lead first to a formal written caution from the police. If the caution was rejected by the licence holder the police could prosecute. If accepted, the caution would be recorded by the clerk to the licensing justices and it would be used in evidence if the holder's licence was contested.

Other proposals are for stricter criteria governing the granting of a licence, requiring the applicant to prove the need in his area for another outlet. The trend in some areas has been to grant licences almost on demand, the society says.

Licensing hours should remain the same, but there must be tighter control of late-night drinking clubs, with the sale of drink allowed only as an ancillary to the consumption of a proper meal.

The present law, that there must be substantial refreshment available, was uncertain, with many late-night establishments operating as public houses with music and dancing and staying open until 3am with no intention of serving meals.

Licensing justices should have the power to allow children with parents into specified rooms in approved public houses up to 8pm on particular evenings. That "could make a major contribution to the education of the young in the social context of alcohol consumption".

Licensing justices should also have control over the running of clubs and the sale of alcohol there. Clubs would have to apply to the justices for a licence.

Licensing Law in the Eighties (Justices' Clerks' Society, Magistrates' Court, PO Box 107, Nelson Street, Bristol, BS99 7BJ).

Sales lift Thames's Channel 4 burden

Sales of programmes abroad accounted for about 60 per cent of Thames Television's profits last year and helped to offset the almost "intolerable" burden of Channel Four, it was stated yesterday. In the present year, all the company's profits will come from overseas sales, Mr Hugh Dundas, chairman of Thames, said. The company revealed gross profits from overseas sales of £6.5m for the year ended March 31.

The sales will be crucial in sustaining the company's overall profit at a time when its subscription to Channel Four has gone above £20m and increased rental fees for the Independent Broadcasting Authority are wiping out profits.

Mr Dundas said the company willingly undertook the obligation to carry its major share of the cost of establishing Channel Four, but he added: "The burden is greater than had been anticipated."

Thames's pre-tax profit, subject to audit and year-end adjustments, was estimated to be about £8.3m.

● The actors' union Equity was not prepared to become a sacrificial pawn in the dispute over payment for actors in advertisements on Channel Four, Mr Peter Plouviez, its general secretary, said yesterday.

He told the union's annual meeting that the union was farther apart than ever from its opponents in the dispute, the Institute of Practitioners in Advertising (IPA).

He accused the institute of "using a fight against our members as part of a much bigger fight to break the independent television monopoly on the sale of air time, and consequently to strike a blow against their main enemies, the ITV companies".

● A dispute between broadcasting unions at the BBC and independent television intensified yesterday when the Association of Broadcasting and Allied Staffs (ABS) was warned by its general secretary, Mr Anthony Hearn, that the Association of Cinematograph, Television and Allied Technicians (ACTT) was "bent on destroying" it.

Mr Hearn, whose union represents about half the BBC's 27,000 broadcasting staff, and also has members in the IBA and in commercial radio, launched his attack on ACTT, which represents most of the staff working in independent television and the film industry, at his union's conference in Brighton.

The dispute has been continuing since the ACTT tried to get negotiating recognition for its members at the BBC's Ealing Film Studios. The BBC recognizes only the ABS

Childbirth by proxy condemned

By Michael Horsnell

Medical opposition to "womb leasing", by which women are contracted to bear children for childless couples, is expected to grow this week with the publication of a report by the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists' ethics committee.

The report, on *in vitro* fertilization and embryo replacement or transfer, is expected to condemn surrogate motherhood, after reports that an American business woman is looking for a London base to establish a scheme to supply babies to infertile couples for £16,000 each.

Mrs Harriet Blankfield, founder of Miracle Program Inc, pays volunteers £6,500 of the fee to carry to term another woman's fertilized ovum.

Further condemnation of the practice, which is not illegal, is expected next year from the Government's formal inquiry into test-tube babies and artificial insemination.

The 16-strong committee of inquiry, chaired by Mrs Mary Warnock, senior research fellow at St Hugh's College, Oxford, will consider womb leasing this summer during its deliberations on *in vitro* fertilization.

Mrs Warnock said yesterday: "I would hope to see a law against womb leasing."

Probation strike attacked

By Peter Evans
Home Affairs Correspondent

Lord Harris of Greenwich, president of the breakaway National Association of Senior Probation Officers, has criticized "extremists" who he said were leading Wednesday's planned probation service strike.

But Mr Harry Fletcher, assistant general secretary of the rival National Association of Probation Officers (Napo), which has called the strike, immediately countered, saying: "I wish I knew who these extremists are. I have seen no signs of any extremism. On the contrary, the association is led by people who are of the centre or centre left."

He expected between 50 per cent and 60 per cent of officers to strike. About 1,200 would take part in the London demonstrations and about 3,000 to 3,500 in protests nationally against cuts in trainees' pay.

Lord Harris, who was speaking at the annual conference of senior probation officers in Porthcawl, accused Napo of "other examples of similar reckless conduct".

There was, he said, the episode of the Napo banner on


Lord Harris of Greenwich: Strike "led by extremists".

the Grunwick picket line. There was the refusal to supervise so-called political offenders. There was the root and branch opposition to many sensible proposals to divert people away from custody to non-custodial alternatives to imprisonment.

"And now there has been the truly extraordinary call by Napo members to refuse to implement the provision in the Criminal Justice Act 1982 which introduces the night curfew for younger offenders."

Lord Harris said that Napo leaders must be told that it was for Parliament to make the laws, not a group of trade union officers.

By their conduct next week, they would be undermining confidence in the service at a time when it should be regarded as sensible and responsible and able to take on the supervision of offenders as an alternative to custody. Of prisons, he said: "The breakdown of the system, constantly prophesied, is now a real threat."

During next week's strike, offenders at risk of committing another serious offence might try to contact their probation officers. "What does Napo suggest should be done to help a client who is on parole or life sentence licence or on probation? I do not think it right for a service responsible for dealing with these offenders to withdraw their labour in these circumstances."

Speaking of supervising politically motivated offenders, Mr Fletcher said there had been a small number on the mainland, mainly involved in trade union disputes, who fell into the category Lord Harris mentioned. Mr Fletcher said: "I fail to see how a probation officer can alter the sincerely held political views of any individual."

Voluntary advice system 'in chaos'

By a Staff Reporter

The advice and voluntary information bureaux system is in a chaotic state, according to the National Consumers Council. In a report published today the council says that finance for the system comes from a bewildering variety of sources.

In some areas, it says, no public money is available for advice centres, such as the Citizens' Advice Bureaux, while in others central and local government set up competing services.

The report is published at a time when advice centres are suffering cash cutbacks in some areas, resulting in closures and reduced opening hours. The study shows that some local authorities prefer to reduce aid to voluntary organizations rather than reduce the number of their own staff.

The report says that despite the cutbacks, high unemployment and rising costs of living have led to increased demands on advice centres. There had been huge increases in the number of people seeking advice on social security problems, and during 1981-82 inquiries dealt with by citizens' advice bureaux rose by a tenth to nearly five million.

Money was at the heart of most problems handled by the various advice centres, the report, which was prepared at the request of Dr Gerard Vaughan, Minister for Consumer Affairs, adds, with many people finding difficulty in paying gas and electricity bills.

In England, Wales, and Northern Ireland advice bureaux saw inquiries related to unemployment rise by more than half during 1981-82; in Scotland the increase was 44 per cent.

"Central government departments still have no common policy towards information and advice services. It is still extremely rare to find any coherent strategy at local government level", the report says.

Many of the different types of advice organizations were cooperating with each other instead of competing for the same grants and funds.

The report highlights the increasing difficulties of country areas where cuts in grants threaten an already poor service.

Some rural advice services, the report says, are reluctant to publicize their services for fear of being inundated with inquiries that they will be unable to handle.

Information and Advice Services in the United Kingdom (National Consumer Council, 18 Queen Anne's Gate, London SW1H 9AA, £2).

Kenneth Hancock with his painting of the Excalibur.

Tribute to hero of the skies

From Arthur Osman, Birmingham

Special tribute will be paid to a wartime hero this week with the unveiling of a painting of the aircraft in which the Halifax bomber's only Victoria Cross was won.

Mr Kenneth Hancock's picture of the Excalibur was commissioned by former members of 578 Squadron Bomber Command in memory of all aircrew and, in particular, of Pilot Officer Cyril Barton, the captain who died winning the Victoria Cross.

The painting will be unveiled at a preview in Birmingham on Wednesday, to which Marshal of the Air Force Sir Arthur Harris, the former head of Bomber Command, has been invited.

The picture will be reproduced in unlimited edition for the new Bomber Command Museum, Hendon, and the RAF Benevolent Fund.

More than 200 Halifax crews, including three who baled out of the Excalibur and became prisoners of war, will attend the preview.

The Excalibur flew from Burn, Yorkshire, on the ill-fated Nuremberg raid on March 30, 1944. Bomber Command suffered its worst disaster on that Thursday night with 96 out of the 795 aircraft failing to return.

The Excalibur was attacked by fighters near the target and severely damaged. Pilot Officer Barton's subsequent Victoria Cross citation said: "At the height of the battle a signal was misinterpreted and the navigator, air bomber and wireless operator left the aircraft by parachute".

Pilot Officer Barton pressed on and, released the bombs himself but turning for home, the Excalibur lost a propellor and fuel. He flew for nearly five hours without navigational aids against strong head winds, but avoided heavy defences. He crossed the English coast 90 miles from his base at Ryhope, near Sunderland.

With only one engine working and almost out of fuel, he attempted to land and avoided houses over which he was flying. He died in the crash, but the three crew members still with him survived.

Volunteers to police illegal rare bird trade

By Hugh Clayton
Environment Correspondent

Almost 200 voluntary inspectors have been chosen to reinforce the one full-time official appointed by ministers to police the registration of rare captive birds. The new system is aimed at ending the illegal trade in wild birds of prey, for which the breeding season is just starting.

Britain is thought to have fewer than 800 pairs of wild peregrine falcons and fewer than 500 pairs of the smaller merlin.

The golden eagle, one of the largest and most handsome of British birds, is down to about 300 pairs, of which all but a handful are in Scotland. One of the very few English eyries is under permanent guard by naturalists.

Wild peregrine falcons can be worth hundreds of pounds each. Breeders have sometime taken eggs from nests of wild birds, claiming later that the newly born young were bred in captivity.

The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds is involved in about twenty-five prosecutions a year concerning illegal possession of birds of prey, which have the highest degree of protection under the Wildlife and Countryside Act.

So far this year four clutches of wild goshawk eggs have been stolen from British nests. The bird, which is more common in Central Europe, is down to between 50 and 100 wild pairs in Britain.

All captive birds of prey must now be registered with the Government, numbered and fitted with an official leg ring which carries the number.

The inspectors, who will be paid £3 an hour and expenses, are expected to witness the ringing of birds. Some are amateur naturalists.

Dispute threatens gypsy site

By David Nicholson-Lord

Two hundred gypsies may face eviction from one of their few sites near central London because of a long-running dispute involving a Conservative-controlled London borough and the Labour-controlled Greater London Council.

The GLC owns the Westway site in north Kensington and is refusing to renew the lease when it runs out in June. Hammersmith and Fulham council, which rents and runs the site, says it has surveyed more than a hundred other sites but can find no suitable alternative.

The site lies under a motorway, next to a railway line, and suffers from very high levels of lead pollution. Earlier this year the borough council was ordered by magistrates under the Public Health Act to monitor lead levels every three months. Three quarters of the travellers are children.

But the tussle over the site forms part of a wider conflict between the GLC and several London boroughs, many Conservative-controlled, over the provision of legal pitches for gypsies. The GLC has mounted a campaign to provide more space because of the number of travellers being drawn to central London as a consequence of the recession.

A report to be submitted to the GLC's ethnic minorities committee this week estimates that there are at least 500 gypsy families camping on unauthorized sites in London and therefore liable to be moved on. There are, by contrast, only 383 official pitches.

Councils have a duty to provide pitches or gain exemption from the Department of the Environment under the Caravan Sites Act, 1968.

The GLC has offered land to boroughs for the travellers, but says the offer has been rejected. It says it has also been told by Mr Neil Macfarlane, Under-Secretary of State at the Department of the Environment with responsibility for gypsies, that it cannot spend its own money on providing sites.

Westway residents have fought a three-year campaign over the site's health hazards, including accumulations of rubbish, bad drainage, fire risk and vandalized lavatory blocks.

This culminated in February in a series of public health orders against Hammersmith council. But the council says the gypsies themselves cause many of the problems.

The gypsies, who want another site, sought help from the GLC last year. The GLC, which agrees the site is a health risk, has already agreed to one extension. However, last week, it said: "If we extend the lease for another year Hammersmith will not take any action and we could all be in the same position this time next year."

A spokesman for the ethnic minorities committee, of which Mr Kenneth Livingstone is chairman, said the GLC would not evict the gypsies from the site but added: "If Hammersmith pull out and switch off the services, we have no legal powers whatsoever to provide the travellers with electricity, toilets and washing facilities, rubbish collection or anything else."

Hearing begins today on risks and benefits of injectable contraceptive

By Pat Healy, Social Services Correspondent

The public "trial" of the controversial injectable contraceptive, Depo-Provera, begins in London today. It will be the first public hearing on the risks and benefits of a drug to be held under section 21 of the Medicines Act, 1968.

The hearing has been demanded by Upjohn, the American manufacturers, to appeal against the Government's decision to refuse a product a licence for the drug's long-term use as a contraceptive. That decision was taken by Mr Kenneth Clarke as one of his first acts on becoming Minister of Health, against the advice of the Committee on Safety of Medicines.

A panel of legal and medical experts will take evidence for a week before deciding whether the risks of using the drug outweigh the benefits of a contraceptive widely acknow ledged to be effective.

If the panel accepts the arguments of the 15 experts Upjohn is intending to call to give medical and scientific evidence its use will be recommended as a long-term contraceptive.

But if it accepts the written arguments produced by the main opponents, the Coordinating Group on Depo-Provera, it will remain licensed for short-term use only, for example to prevent pregnancy after vaccination against German measles.

Under the rules governing the hearing the opponents have been allowed to provide written evidence but cannot appear as independent witnesses. That has angered the coordinating group, which brings together a wide range of women's health groups. The health groups argue that evidence from women using the drug is crucial because many tragedies have occurred through inadequate drugs research.

Upjohn appears to be equally angry that the group has been allowed to give evidence at all. Last week the company published a response to the group's written evidence, dismissing it as "anecdotal case reporting which should not be accorded weight with scientific evidence. Nevertheless, Upjohn also includes anecdotal case histories from satisfied women users of Depo-Provera.

The company acknowledges some of the side-effects of using the drug, but argues that they are acceptable compared with the risks of becoming pregnant.

Evidence collected from 88 women by the group suggests that in addition to disruption of the menstrual cycle and disturbance of the metabolism, using Depo-Provera also carries a risk of cancer. The group is also concerned that Depo-Provera has been prescribed to women who have not been fully informed of the associated risks.

The Committee on Safety of Medicines concluded that Depo-Provera should be approved for women for whom other methods of contraception were inappropriate, but Mr Clarke said that the possible risks outweighed the benefits.

He said the drug might be given to mentally handicapped women who could not give informed consent, and it could be used for women having many abortions.

The medical establishment is in favour of Depo-Provera; both the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaeclogists and the Family Planning Association want it to be added to the list of available contraceptives.

Its use has been banned, however, in the United States since 1978, but that decision is being reviewed.

The following are members of the panel for the public hearing:

Professor Rosalinde Hurley, chairman of the Medicines Commission at the Department of Health and Social Security; Professor A. Asscher, also a member of the commission; Mr Ian Kennedy, director of the Centre of Law, Medicines and Ethics at King's College London and last year's Reith lecturer; Professor H. Jacobs, consultant gynaecologist; and Professor F. A. Langley, Emeritus Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecological Pathology, Manchester University.

The police Bill: 1

Officers' wider powers are at centre of concern

The controversial Police and Criminal Evidence Bill, which gives new, wideranging powers to the police, will shortly emerge on the floor of the Commons for its final stages before entering the House of Lords. In this three-part series **Frances Gibb** *looks at the Bill in detail and the changes made to it after widespread criticism.*

The Police and Criminal Evidence Bill, the main plank of the Government's law and order policy, will bring in wide range of new police powers to stop, search and arrest; new procedures for holding and questioning suspects and a new police complaints procedures with provision for police community consultations.

Much critisized in the Commons for not providing safeguards for suspects' rights to balance the new police powers, it could also receive a bumpy ride in the Lords,

The Bill has come under fire first for what it omits. Based in part on the report of the Royal Commission on Criminal Procedure, it omits two of that body's main proposals: an independent prosecution system, separate from the police interrogations. Both are now under review by the Home Office.

The Bill's central concept, and trigger for many of the powers, is the "serious arrestable offence". That is an offence that police, or a magistrate, deem sufficiently serious to justify use of certain powers. After much criticism, the Bill's approach to this has been tightened: there must be "reasonable" belief in the seriousness of the offence, backed by guiding factors such as the nature and scale of the offence.



Young men being searched in central London

The Bill's first part, subject of most attention, provides powers of stop, search and arrest. Existing police powers, which vary throughout the country, are rationalized and new ones created.

There is a new national power to stop and search for stolen goods or articles adapted for stealing or fraud and for offensive weapons or items adapted for that use. Police – who must identify themselves, give reasons for the search and provide a copy of the search record on request – can search someone reasonably suspected of carrying any of these items.

There is still concern that articles not offensive in themselves, such as a comb, are subject to the powers with potential for friction on the streets.

Powers to set up road blocks, now vague, are defined. A police superintendent (critics want an assistant chief constable) can authorize a road check for up to a week on reasonable suspicion that someone in the area may commit a serious arrestable offence.

The Bill also extends powers of arrest. Police can at present arrest without warrant only on reasonable suspicion of an offence punishable by five years' imprisonment or for specific lesser offences where statute provides, such as refusal to be breath-tested.

Under the Bill, arrest without warrant is extended to reasonable suspicion of any offence at all where a person refuses to give name and address or the constable doubts those details and where a summons, which must be the usual procedure, is impracticable. Most statutory powers of arrest without warrant are, in turn, repealed.

But most controversy has centred on powers to search for evidence, particularly that held in confidence. The Bill enables a magistrate to authorize police to search, on reasonable suspicion of a serious arrestable offence, for evidence believed to be on the premises which might be produced at the trial.

Where the evidence is held in confidence, police must apply to a circuit judge and the evidence must be of "Substantial value" to the investigation.

But after sustained and widespread protests, the Government has substantially limited the scope of these powers. Medical and other confidential records held by "caring professions", and by journalists, are now exempt. Legal records not protected by "privilege" and non-confidential journalistic material will have the extra safeguards of confidential evidence.

In addition, judges can order a search only where there is a real risk that the material will be destroyed and no longer where the holder refuses to reveal it. Such a refusal would be open to contempt of court proceedings. Judges must also balance the "public interest" in disclosure against the police need for the material.

Tomorrow: detention and questioning in police custody.

Joke complaint by John Cleese upheld

A complaint by John Cleese, the comedian, that he did not make a joke attributed to him by *The Sun* is upheld by the Press Council today.

The newspaper reported that work on a Monty Python film was held up when 120 coloured students refused to stage the Battle of Rourke's Drift in Zulu costume. The paper said: "After the black warriors downed spears, the heavens opened and long-legged Cleese leaped about among the extras demanding; 'Which of you bastards did a rain dance?' ".

Mr Cleese told Mr Kelvin MacKenzie, the editor, that he did not leap about and the joke was an invention. It could be regarded as racialist. But Mr Kenneth Donlan, managing editor, said the report was accurate and the remark was made in frustration, not in a racialist way. Mr Cleese referred the matter to his solicitors, who asked *The Sun* for an apology. None was given and they complained to the Press Council.

Mr George Forbes, the reporter, said there were no other journalists with him when the downpour came.

The Press Council's adjudication was:

The Press Council is satisfied that Mr Cleese did not use the words or perform the actions attributed to him in the report. It does not agree that the description of those words and actions gave the story a racial slant, or that the story had such a slant. The editor should have published a retraction of the inaccuracies. The complaint against THE SUN is upheld.

● A complaint that *The Sunday Times* refused to retract a story that De Beers, the diamond merchants, were buying Russian synthetic gem diamonds is rejected by the Press Council today. It rules that the paper was entitled to stand by its story and had given De Beers a right of reply.

The article, by Edward Jay Epstein, said there was evidence that Russian diamonds supplied under a clandestine deal to De Beers were not mined in Siberia but mass-produced at factories in Moscow and the Ukraine.

Mr A B *Monnickendam*, managing director of A Monnickendam Ltd, and chairman of the London Chamber of Commerce and Industry's diamonds, pearls and precious stones trade section, told the editor the inference that gem quality diamonds were being mass-produced in Russia was pure fabrication. A fortnight later, the paper published a further story, saying that the allegations had been described as ludicrous, fatuous and insidious. Mr Michael Grantham, of De Beers, was quoted as denying that the company bought any synthetic gem quality diamonds from any source.

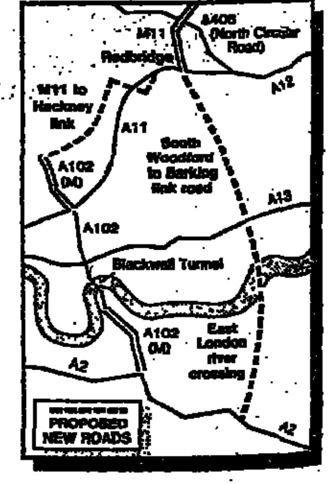
Mr Monnickendam told the Press Council the news item gave the false impression that, since gem diamonds could now be mass-produced, they were almost worthless. He asked for a further retraction or clarification which was refused.

Mr Stephen Boyd, chief assistant to the editor, said the paper stood by its story. De Beers had issued only a limited denial.

Borough poised to fight urban motorway plan

By Michael Baily
Transport Editor

A plan for a new motorway link between Hackney, east London, and the M11 is to be fought by Hackney cCouncil, which fears it will encourage unwanted through traffic and commuter cars into north-east London.



The four-mile motorway, due to be built by 1989 at a cost of about £100m, is seen by the Department of Transport as a boon which will bring vital new life to the declining local economy.

The road is also intended to carry traffic to and from an expanded Stansted airport, and to help to revitalize docklands.

Mr John Adams, a transport planner from London University, who will be giving evidence on Hackney's behalf at a public inquiry this week, said that Hackney's local roads would not be able to cope with the traffic the new road could bring, and the result would be "bigger jams, lasting far more of the day".

The road and an alternative version planned by the Greater London Council would be a massive waste of public money, he said.

Parachutists hurt in crash on trees

Three parachutists jumping with the Red Devils free fall team crashed into trees when they were blown off course during a charity event at Aldershot, Hampshire, yesterday.

Mrs Ellie Howden was detained at the Cambridge Military Hospital, Aldershot, with a suspected broken pelvis. Mrs Patricia Thomas was also taken there but was released after a check. She had dangled from 40ft for half an hour

The third jumper, Dr David Robertson, the prospective Labour parliamentary candidate for Chester, was unhurt.

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Reagan to tell Congress of moral duty to stop a second Cuba

From Nicholas Ashford, Washington

President Reagan is to make a rare address to a joint session of Congress on Wednesday in an attempt to persuade doubting Congressmen to support – or at least not actively oppose – his Administration's policy in Central America.

It will be only the ninth time in the past half century that a President has made such an appearance and his action is intended to dramatize the Administration's concern at the deteriorating situation in the region.

His addresss is the culmination of a huge lobbying campaign by senior officials who have been urging Congress to approve the Adminstration's request for increased military aid to El Salvador and not to blow the whistle on American covert support for right-wing insurgents fighting against the Sandinist Government in Nicaragua.

The campaign has included deep background briefings by Mr William Casey, the head of the CIA, and a guided CIA tour for a small group of Congressmen of the border area between Honduras and Nicaragua where the anti-Sandinist rebels are operating.

The message that the President will deliver will be a simple one. He will argue that Central America is the "front line" and that the US has a "moral duty" to prevent the proliferation of Cuban-style regimes in the region.

One such regime – in Nicaragua – is already as much as the Administration can stomach. Last week Mr Thomas Enders, Assistant Secretary of State, gave warning of the possible introduction to Nicaragua of modern fighter aircraft by Cuba or the Soviet Union and even Cuban combat troops.

If El Salvador fell to the left-wing guerrillas fighting against Salvadoran government forces then, so the Administration contends, the contagion would very quickly spread to Mexico and to Panama in the south.

To prevent this happening, the Reagan Administration argues that it must make the cost of interventionism for Nicaragua and Cuba as high as possible. This means giving increased military and economic support to El Salvador so that it can successfully combat the Nicaraguan and Cuban-backed insurgents. It also involves giving Nicaragua what one official described as "a taste of its own medicine" by encouraging the anti-Sandinist forces, known as *contras*, to sustain their hit-and-run tactics in outlying areas of the country.

However, the President will be met with considerable scepticism on Capitol Hill where the memory of involvement in Vietnam has not completely evaporated. Some Congressmen, a relatively small minority, believe the US has no business getting involved in the region at all. They argue that the Administration's blinkered determination to see the region's upheavals in East-West terms means that it is incapable of tackling the root causes of the problem – the social, political and economic injustice which has characterized Central America for decades.

A larger group accept the Administration's contention that Central America falls within its sphere of interest, but disagree with the role which the Administration believes the United States should play. In particular they feel US attempts to bolster the Salvadoran Government and its armed forces will be self-defeating unless they are accompanied by pressure on the regime to reach a political accommodation with the guerrillas.

This view is supported by official US assessments that it will take years before the ineffectual Salvadoran armed forces are capable of bringing the present situation under control. Some Congressmen doubt whether this will ever be possible.

However the most contentious issue at present is the covert aid which the US is giving to the Nicaraguan *contras*. This is not just because the assistince is felt to be in violation of the spirit if not the letter of the Boland Amendment (which forbids aid to guerrillas "for the purpose of overthrowing the Government of Nicaragua") but also because it reeks of similar secret operations in South-east Asia during the 1960s. Such small beginnings can quickly get out of hand and culminate in huge US involvement.

Whatever its deep-felt concerns, however, Congress will be cautions in its reponse and will probably not let the President go away empty-handed. Legislators are aware that if they are seen to be tying the President's hands too tightly, he could lay the blame squarely on Congress in the event of El Salvador being overrun by the guerrillas.

So it seems likely that Congress will ultimately agree to most of what the Administration is asking in terms of increased military assistance for El Salvador, although probably with some conditions attached. But Congress will try to restrict as for as possible clandestine US activities in and around Nicaragua.

Winning smile: Corinne Hermes, who sang Luxembourg's winning entry *Si La Vie est un Cadeau* (If Life is A Gift) in the Eurovision song contest in Munich on Saturday night before a television audience estimated at 500 million.

Her song won 142 votes from the international jury, six more than Israel's entry sung by Osra Haza, Reuter reports. Third was Carola Haeggkvist of Sweden with 126 votes. Britain's entry by the group Sweet Dreams came sixth.

Twenty countries entered songs and among those connected to the Eurovison network for the event was the Soviet Union which had no entry.

Apart from the 500 million viewers in 30 countries who watched the contest, held for the 28th year, the West German organizers said 200 million were listening on radio.

Turkey lifts ban on political parties

Ankara (Reuter) – Turkey's ruling military national security council yesterday lifted a 1980 ban on political activities, paving the way for general elections promised for this autumn or early next year.

The council published the long-awaited political parties law and a decree regulating the extent of political activity permitted in the official government gazette.

It set May 16 as the date for resumption of applications to form new political parties; but said groups could go ahead with forming new movements before then.

The five-man council, which seized power in September, 1980, after a period of political violence, banned all political parties and activities, promising to return to democracy in spring 1984 at the latest.

Since the approval of a new constitution in a national referendum last November, a military-appointed consultative assembly has been preparing the political parties law for submission to the council for final approval.

The new law, in accordance with the constitution, bars from politics all leaders and top executives of political parties disbanded after the 1980 military takeover. It recommends prison terms for any banned politicians taking part in new parties.

The names of those banned from politics were scheduled to appear in the official gazette within a week and the council would have a power of veto over any of the founders of the new parties until the first elections were held.

The council limited the scope of permitted political activity, banning all written or verbal comments attacking, praising or defending banned parties of members of them.

In its decree, the council also prohibited criticism or debate on any of its decisions, speeches by President Kenan Evren, or the activities of the martial law administration. Those banned from political activity were also banned from expressing their personal opinion on Turkey's past and future political and legal status, the decree said.

The bans on the former political leaders were seen as an attempt by the military to make a complete break with the past

General Evren has been emphasizing this point in recent speeches and asking his people not to follow the lines of the old political parties.

Brazilians unload arms planes

From Patrick Knight
São Paulo

Brazilian officials began unloading at the weekend light and heavy arms, ammunition, missiles, explosives and a dismantled aircraft from the four Libyan cargo planes impounded in Brazil a week ago. Most of the war material was of Soviet origins but there were also some American arms.

Tight security was imposed as the unloading of three Ilyushins began on Saturday at Manaus, in the Amazon basin, and of a C13o Hercules cargo aircraft at Recife airport. The operation is expected to be completed tomorrow. The Brazilian authorities fear that there might be booby traps on board the aircraft, which were en route to Nicaragua, when they were detained.

Libyan diplomats and crew members refused to witness the unloading of the aircraft.

Urgent talks plea by Managua

Managua (Reuter) – Sènor Miguel d'Escoto, the Nicaraguan Foreign Minister, accusing Honduras of complicity in right-wing insurgency in Nicaragua, has called for direct talks between the two countries "before it is to late".

Early this month Nicaragua announced it was fighting some 2,000 well-armed right-wing exiles who had infiltrated from bases in Honduras in an operation run by the Honduran Army and the United States.

Since then, there has been a spate of warnings that Honduras and Nicaragua were drifting towards open war. Fears of a conflict between Honduras, the closest ally of the US in Central America, and left-wing Nicaragua have spurred fresh diplomatic efforts to bring peace to Central America.

Sènor d'Escoto returned on Friday from a meeting of nine Latin American foreign ministers in Panama City, where they discussed the problems of the region and ways of ending the conflicts affecting three of Central America's six countries.



Señor d'Escoto: Talk *before it is too late.*

He said direct talks with Honduras were a priority.

Although Western reporters have accompanied Nicaraguan exile forces from bases in Honduras to combat areas deep in Nicaragua, the Honduran Government has denied involvement.

In Washington, spokesmen have declined to comment on the extent of US assistance to the right-wingers operating from Honduras, saying it was established practice not to comment on covert operations.

Señor d'Escoto said the Panama City meeting had noted that some of Central America's problems required a bilateral solution.

Both Honduras and the US have so far rejected bilateral talks on Nicaragua's insurgency and high tension along the border between the neighbours.

A communiqué issued after the talks said they had provided an opportunity for a "preliminary diagnosis" of the region's ills. But it provided no prescription for a cure.

● SAN SALVADOR: the Salvadorian Government has ordered the release of 11 political prisoners detained at the Mariona prison, on the outskirts of the capital, AP reports.

Señor Marion Luis Velasquez, a member of the government human rights commission which coordinated the release, said it was ordered, on Saturday, by the general command of the Salvadorean armed forces.

Riddle of expelled spy 'who does not exist'

Moscow (Reuter) – *Pravda* said yesterday that a US vice-consul in Leningrad named as D Shorer had been caught spying and expelled from the country.

A lengthy report in the Communist Party daily said he had been trapped by KGB agents as he picked up material from a dead-letter box in the city.

It gave no indication of when the incident had taken place, and no official called Shorer appears in the diplomatic lists of the past five years.

The US Embassy said staff there had no recollection of a vice-consul with a name like Shorer working in the Leningrad consulate.

A spokesman had no comment to make on the report, particularly as it appeared to concern events which took place several years ago.

The report centred on alleged world-wide efforts by the US Central Intelligence Agency to recruit Soviet citizens as agents.

It appeared intended as a response to Washington's decision last week to throw out three Soviet officials on charges of spying.

The central figure in the report was a Russian named Boris who was said to have been recruited by the CIA while working as a development expert in Africa. On his return to Leningrad the CIA demanded he continue to provide information; but he confessed to the KGB and then served as a double agent.

Meanwhile, Mr Leonid Zamyatin, a senior Soviet foreign affairs expert, said relations between Moscow and Washington were unlikely to improve while President Reagan was in power.

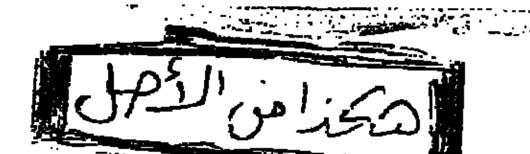
● ROME: Italy may be preparing to expel about 100 alleged Eastern European and Third World spies named in a dossier drawn up by counter-intelligence sercices according to the Florence paper *La Nazione* Reuter reports.

Rifkind off to Moscow for dialogue

Mr Malcolm Rifkind, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, flew to Moscow yesterday on the first ministerial visit to the Soviet Union for five years, for talks amied at improving East-West relations. He will spend two days in Moscow and two days in Leningrad.

"I want to achieve a number of things", he said. "First to emphasize to them the absolute unity of the Western alliance and the need to ensure a proper defence of the people of the West. Second, to make it clear that we do recognize the Soviet Union has a legitimate right to guarantee its own security but that it cannot be brought about by the subjugation of its neighbours as in Afghanistan. Third, I want to try and to see if there is a possibility of proper realistic dialogue."

Mr Rifkind is also to plead for the release of Anatoly Shcharansky, the dissident



Killer's accomplice to go to electric chair that took 10 minutes to work

From Our Own Correspondent, New York

The seventh American to die in the electric chair since 1976 was put to death on Friday night. It was grotesque. It took three separate jolts each of 1.900 volts over a 10-minutes period to kill the convicted murder. John Louis Evans.

The affair has raised fresh controversy over the death penalty and provoked new calls for its abolition.

Evan's lawyer. Mr Russell Canan, prison officials and several journalist were at the execution. Evans was wearing white prison clothes when he was strapped into the Alabama electric chair. A skull cap fitted with electrodes was placed on his head.

The electrode on his left leg burnt through and fell off during the first 30-second jolt. Prison guards repaired it and reattached it after doctors said he was not dead.

A second 30-second jolt was sent surging through his body. A puff of smoke and a burst of flame erupted from his left temple and leg. Doctors put stethoscopes on his chest; but said they still were not certain he was dead.

The official observers became emotional at the macabre spectacle.

Mr Canan then appealed to the prisoner commissioner in Holman Prison for clemency from Governor George Wallace and shouted that the penalty was "cruel".

There was an open line from the prison to the governor; but *there was no response to the* appeal.

The third jolt was given at 8.40pm and four minutes later Evans was officially pronounced dead.

Mr Canan said: "John Evans was burnt alive tonight the state of Alabama... tortured tonight in the name of vengeance and in the disguise of justice."

He added yesterday: "I hope that the method of execution will inspire the complete abolition of the death penalty because ritualized murder is barbaric in any form".

It was disclosed at the weekend that the state plans to use the same electric chair to execute Evans's accomplice. Wayne Eugene Ritter. on Friday May 13.

Mr Ron Tate. the Alabama Corrections Department spokesman, said the chair would have a routine check before the execution. He did not believe the chair was faulty, it *had been properly tested before* Evans's execution and had already successfully electrocuted 154 Alabama convicts. Evans, he suggested, might have had some special resistance to electricity.

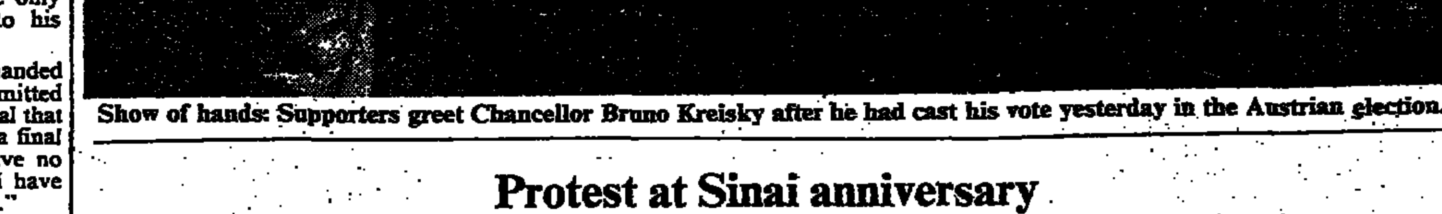
The chair had been inspected every day for five days before Evans's execution and tests showed it was working properly.

Evans had previously received two temporary reprieves, the second less than 24 hours before his execution. A Supreme Court ruling finally cleared the way for the execution on a vote of 7-2 only hours before he went to his death.

Evans, who once demanded his own execution, admitted murder and said at his trial that he would do it again. In a final statement he said: "I have no malice towards anyone. I have no hatred towards anyone."

His lawyers described him on the eve of his death as a man "at peace with himself and ready for anything that comes along".

He was the first Alabama prisoner to be put to death in 18 years and the seventh in America since the Supreme Court reinstated capital punishment in 1976.



Show of hands: Supporters greet Chancellor Bruno Kreisky after he had cast his vote yesterday in the Austrian election.

Protest at Sinai anniversary

Mubarak issues challenge to Shultz

From Robert Holloway, Cairo

President Mubarak of Egypt threw down a challenge at the weekend to Mr George Shultz. asserting that the American Secretary of State could not consider his maiden trip to the Middle East a success without obtaining a pledge from the Israelis to pull out of Lebanon.

He also brushed aside what looked like an attempt by President Reagan to belittle the importance of the Palestince Liberation Organization. stating that Egypt continued to regard the PLO as the Plastinians' sole ligitmate representative.

Mr Shultz is due in Cairo today at the start of a 10 day tour of the region seen here as a last-ditch attempt to salvage Mr Reagan's plan for Palestinian self-determination in association with Jordon.

Mr Murbarak said that Egypt has told the Palestinians to "live in reality" and cooperate with King Husain so that the US could start its work, but he rejected Mr Reagan's contention, made at a White House briefing on Friday, that "negotiations don't have to hinge on the PLO."

Speaking at a ceremony in El Arish, the capital of Sinai, to mark the first anniversary today of the end of the Israeli occupation of the peninsula, Mr Murbarak said: "until now, and according to the Rabat summit, the PLO is the sole legimate representaive of the Palestinians."

Mr Reagan blames radical PLO elements for the failure of talks between King Husain and Mr Yassir Arafat, the PLO leader on implementing the Reagan proposals.

The Egyptians, however, put the blame partly upon the Americans. Although a Foreign Ministry spokesman here said on Saturday that the Shultz visit was a "proof of the Americans' willingness to try to get the Israelis out of Lebanon". Mr Murbarak said that an agreement on withdrawal was "the minumm condition" for the *success of the Shultz tour.*

Mr Shultz is scheduled to confer with President Mubarak tomorrow and then fly on to Israel on Wednesday on the seconmd leg of his tour.

Mr Mubarak found the celebrations in El Arish a little more lively than he had expected as some of 300 local people who had gathered to meet him began to protest at the lack of facilities provided for them since Egypt recovered the territory. Because of the heckling Cairo radio broke off its live coverage of the proceedings, but not before the President had been heard to say: "That's enough for the televison and the press" and ordered foreign correspondents out of the room.

He told Mr Muhammad Saleh-Nasrallah, chairman of the local Provincial Assembly, who had asked if he could air "certain issues and certain demands" that he had come for a celebration. "There is no room whatsoever to air only demands. This is not the place", the President said as a heckler shouted: "Our palm trees have died".

The heckler was dressed in Bedu robes to emphasize the complaint of some local people that "The authorities treat us like nomads, whereas El Arish has been settled for 5,000 years.

Nevertheless, the President agreed to let people air their grievances once the press had been escorted from the room.

An official here later asserted, somewhat implausibly, that live radio coverage of the proceedings had never been planned "because it was an occasion for discussing problems, not for making speeches".

Iceland fails to find poll victor

Reykjavik (Reuter) Mr Gunnar Thoroddsen, Iceland's outgoing Prime Minister, yesterday urged political parties to form a majority government, after general elections which failed to produce a clear winner.

Mr Thoroddsen, who is retiring from politics at the age of 71, said on radio that Iceland's economic crisis was so severe that it could not afford to have a weak government or fresh elections.

No single party won a majority in Saturday's elections to the 60-member Althing (Parliament), and the composition of a new coalition was uncertain.

Six parties contested the election in which the main issues were an annual inflation rate of more than 100 per cent, a weak currency and problems in the fishing industry.

The ruling coalition of centrists. Socialists and Communists lost four seats, while the opposition conservative Independence Party (IP) gained one to remain the biggest party

Analysts said the most likely combination would be a coalition of Independents and Progressives and even that could be achieved only through tough negotiations.

Since no single party could *claim victory, the present* Government is not obliged to resign though the analysts said M Thoroddsen was likely to step down in a few days. President Vigdis Finnbogadottir would then probably ask him to stay on as caretaker Prime Minister until a new government is formed, they said, and this coud take several weeks.

The analysts ascribed the losses of the centrist Progressive Party, which represents small sheep farmers and fishermen, to its weak performance in fighting inflation in Government.

The conservatives led their campaign with a tough anti-inflation programme and promises of tax cuts to stimulate the economy.

Three feminists, representing the first all-woman party to stand in a European general election, were elected with 5.5 per cent of the vote.



Masculine support: Sigridur Duna Kristmundsdotter, elected MP on a feminist ticket in Iceland, hears the results watched by her husband.

ICELANDIC ELECTION

	Seats	Last Parlia-ment	% of vote
Independ Party	23	22	38.7
Progressive Party	14	17	19
People's Alliance	10	11	17.3
Social Democrats	6	10	11.7
New Social Dem	4	0	7.3
Feminists	3	0	5.5

The desert army glad to stay forgotten

From Christopher Walker, El Gorah, Sinai

As we approached the acres of uneven, weed-filled rubble, all that remains of the once thriving Israeli settlement of Yamit, two Egyptian soldiers came running with fixed bayonets on their antiquated rifles pointed menacingly at our stomachs.

It was a sign of the peaceful, almost lazy atmosphere that now prevails in Sinai a year after the final Israeli withdrawal that all they wanted was to be photographed and to practise some elementary English.

Behind, a colourfully dressed group of Bedu children scavenged in the bulldozed remains of the Jewish "dream city", which had obviously remained untouched in the 12 *months in Egyptian hands* – and where, with a bitter irony, the synagogue is still the only structure still standing.

The same encouraging lack of tension has marked the first year of the Multinational Force and Observers (the MFO), the experimental peacekeeping army put together by the Americans to monitor the Camp David treaty after Russia had vetoed the idea of a United Nations force.

It is a tribute to the 10-nation force and its Norwegian commander, General Fredrik Bull-Hansen, that in the period leading up to today's first anniversary celebrations it has become known as "the forgotten army" whose activities are rarely reported either in Israel or Egypt.

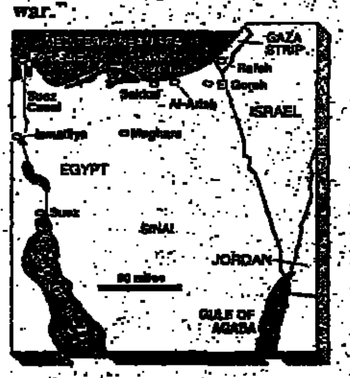
The smoothness with which the MFO now operates contrasts with the controversy surrounding its birth, with many countries reluctant to earn Arab disapproval by joining and others suspicious of America's motives in using troops from the crack 82nd Airborne Division to form the bulk of its predominant contingent.

The record of the first year of the largest peace-keeping operation outside the auspices of the UN illustrates the underlying viability of the 1979 treaty between Israel and Egypt despite the frosty relations caused by the war in Lebanon. Although there have been numerous violations of the agreement, statistics supplied to *The Times* show that the overwhelming majority of these were judged by MFO observers to have been accidental.

The 3,500-strong force of soldiers and civilians cost $200m (£130m) in its first year and was formed by nationals of Britain – which with 38 men supplies one of the smallest contingents – Australia, Colombia, Fiji, France, Italy, the Netherlands, New Zealand, the United States, Uruguay and Norway. Since April 25, 1982, the only two injuries have been to American *soldiers*

Britain, like most other nations, made an original commitment for two years and the United States will soon try to get this extended. There is unlikely to be much resistance from the men, who spend their off-duty hours in air-conditioned facilities such at the French officers' club (The Moulin Rouge) and the British equivalent, an ersatz pub complete with dartboard and false beer-taps called "The Three Jokers".

The easy-going ambience was summed up by a Fijian private now serving at an observation post on a palm-fringed Mediterranean beach after completing two years with the UN peace-keeping force in south Lebanon: "This is nothing like that", he said with a broad grin. "That was war."



Israel holds back on unilateral pullout

From David Bernstein, Jerusalem

The Israeli Cabinet yesterday discussed withdrawing its troops unilaterally to a 45km (28 miles) security zone in southern Lebanon, but did not take a final decision pending the arrival in the Middle East this week of Mr George Shultz, the United States Secretary of State.

The proposal for a unilateral Israeli withdrawal to southern Lebanon's Awali river, which was placed before the Cabinet by Mr Aharon Uzan, has been gaining support as the negotiations with Lebanon have remained deadlocked and Israeli casualties have continued to mount.

Jerusalem is placing considerable importance on Mr Shultz's visit, however, and was not prepared to prejudice the outcome of his mission by taking any hasty action.

But there is a clear feeling that time is running out, and that if Mr Shultz is unable to persuade Lebanon to be more forthcoming on Israel's security demands, some form of unilateral action will be unavoidable.

● BEIRUT: Mr Callaghan, the former Prime Minister, said yesterday that he saw some grounds for hope in the talks on the withdrawal of Israeli troops from Lebanon and that Mr Shultz's visit may help resolve the situation, Katherine Dourian writes.

Mr Callaghan spoke to a group of reporters before leaving Beirut at the end of his Middle East tour that has also taken him to Jordan and Egypt.

There existed a procedural framework for a withdrawal, with a lot of detail filled in, he said.

"If I am right in saying it, the situation needs one more heave, then Secretary Shultz can do it". Mr Callaghan said, adding that withdrawals of foreign troops from Lebanon could begin in a matter of weeks.

● Hurd's view: Mr Douglas Hurd, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, said in an interview published in the Lebanon yesterday the United States should exert more pressure on Israel to withdraw its forces from Lebanon, AP reports.

Speaking to the English-language weekly *Monday Morning*.

Mr Hurd said that the US administration should keep up its pressure on the Israelis to withdraw from Lebanon and freeze the building of Jewish settlements on the West Bank, "as we have encouraged them to do".

"We have pressed the Israelis to be more flexible and take more account of Lebanese concerns" in the American-sponsored Israeli-Lebanese troop withdrawal talks, he said.

Mr Hurd, who visited Lebanon as part of a Middle East tour earlier this month, said that there was a risk of an Israeli-Syrian military confrontation in eastern Lebanon's Bekaa Valley "as long as there is no movemet on the withdrawal of foreign forces from Lebanon".

● Grenade charge: – Lebanon's military prosecutor has filed preliminary charges against a Lebanese Muslim suspected of throwing a hand grenade which wounded five US marines in Beirut last *month, judicial sources said*, Reuter reports.

They said Mr Asaad Germanos, the prosecutor, asked for Nazmi Mohammad Al-Sakka to be charged with acts of terrorism and attempted murder.

Under Lebanese law, the prosecutor's request must be investigated by a military judge who may then draw up an indictment under which the accused can be tried by a military court.

● JIDDAH: King Husain of Jordan sent two senior ministers to Arab capitals yesterday, before Mr Shultz arrived in a bid to revive President Reagan's peace plan, Reuter reports.

● TUNIS: Arab diplomats predicted a significant new development in US moves for Middle East peace, the main topic at a meeting of key Palestinian leaders, in Tunis last night, Reuter reports.

Swiss call time on Hongkong

From Alan McGregor
Geneva

Stung by what they regard as outright provocation, leading Swiss watch manufacturers have taken action to stop a display of watches from Hongkong in premises immediately behind the hall housing the annual European Watch and Jewelry Exhibition in Basle.

A court decision is expected today on the Swiss companies' submission that some of the Hongkong watches are imitations of high-priced Swiss watches with famous names. Some 20 different models from Hongkong were seized by police on Thursday.

At last year's exhibition, the Hongkong exporters were refused display space, but allowed to show their wares privately to prospective customers in a room closed to members of the public. This year the exhibition organizers were under pressure to refuse Hongkong a stand.

Hongkong is now the leading exporter of lower-priced watches, especially quartz ones. Swiss sales of watch components to Hongkong last year were worth £150m, more than four times the value of the colony's watch *exports to Switzerland.*

The Swiss action reflects the manufacturers's anger and frustration at the growing number of cheap imitations of Swiss prestige watches, emanating mainly from Far Eastern countries, including South Korea and Taiwan.

Mintoff meets opposition after MPs end boycott

From Our Correspondent, Valletta

Mr Dom Mintoff, Malta's Prime Minister, and Dr Eddie Fenech Adami, leader of the Nationalist Party, have held their first reported meeting in a year after the opposition party recently ended a boycott of Parliament.

The meeting, on Thursday, comes after discussions between the ruling Malta Labour Party and the Nationalists after the latter's members took their oath of office before the House of Representatives on March 29. The house is due to meet again today for its first sitting since then.

The Nationalist group enters parliament after a 15-month boycott to secure reforms in electoral and broadcasting laws. In the last elections, in December, 1981, the Nationalists received an absolute majority of seats in Parliament.

After taking their oath of office on March 29, the Nationalist members walked out of Parliament in protest against a debate on Malta's relations with Europe, and the presence of broadcasting staff in the House for a transmission of the debate on all broadcasting media.

The state-controlled Broadcasting organization has boycotted the Nationalists for more than a year, while the party has not advertised on such media for the same period.

● Hijackers return: Two Libyan Army officers who hijacked a Libyan Arab Airlines Boeing 727 to Malta last February, returned to Libya on Saturday. They had given themselves up at the time on a guarantee by Mr Mintoff that they would not be returned to Libya, and that asylum would be sought for them in another country.

At a press conference before they left Luqa airport on Saturday First Lieutenant Abdul es Salaam Abu Kijla and First Lieutenant At Tawati Mansur al Mahdi said that what urged them to hijack the aircraft over Libyan territory was a family matter, which had nothng to do with politics. They said their decision to return to Libya was freely taken, and they felt the Libyan people would fully understand their problems.

They also maintained that they did not belong to any extremist organization.

Iraq claims big Iran push fails

Baghdad (Reuter) – General Abdul-Jabbar Shanshal, Iraq's military chief of staff, claims Iran has failed to occupy an inch of Iraqi territory despite massing 120,000 of its best troops to break through into Misan province earlier this month.

In a television interview, he warned Iran that any new attack on Iraqi territory would be crushed ruthlessly. Iraq claims nearly 15,000 Iranian troops were killed in the offensive.

Fanfani seeks to avoid blame

From Peter Nichols, Rome

Senator Amintore Fanfani's coalition Government will almost certainly resign within the week although a formula has yet to be found for allowing a general election without appearing to blame the Government itself for falling apart.

The Administration has been doomed since the Socialists, the second largest partner in the four-party coalition after the Christian Democrats, announced on Friday that they intended to force an election by withdrawing their support. However, like the other partners, they wish to avoid being seen as solely responsible for the dissolution of parliament.

Senator Fanfani himself is understandably angry at the conduct of his principal allies. He was called back to the prime ministership on December 1, after 20 years, and gave up the comfortable post of the Senate's presiding officer.

Five months later, he is about to lose office but he feels the period was not without success, including a long sought agreement on labour costs, and approval of the budget estimate. He had hoped for further achievements, but they are now denied him. All he can now do is to attempt to defend his Government's good name combined with an effort to arrive at a preelection agreement between his own Christian Democrat party and the Socialists in the next Parliament. Such an agreement, however, looks highly improbable.

Senator Fanfani will address the Senate on Thursday about the Socialists' decision to abandon him. He has to wait because Monday is a public holiday and on Tuesday and Wednesday Dr Helmut Kohl, the West German Chancellor, will be in Italy and on Tuesday evening the Senate has to vote finally on the budget estimate.

Signor Fanfani should therefore be ready for his call on President Pertini on Friday at the latest to inform him of his Government's resignation. He is not expected to wait for a vote.

Important local government elections are due on June 26, and the Socialists feel that voting in the general election should take place on the same day. The Christian Democrats differ.

Belgians march against cruise

From Ian Murray, Brussels

Up to 10.000 people braved pouring rain on Saturday afternoon to converge on the little town of Florennes, 50 miles south-east of Brussels, to protest about the deployment of intermediate-range nuclear missiles in Europe.

Just outside the town is the air force base which has been chosen as the site for the 48 cruise missiles, which Belgium has agreed to accept if the neclear disarmament talks in Geneva breakdown.

This was a first "on site" protest, and attracted demonstrators not only from Belgium, but from Holland, West Germany and France. The Scottish National Party was among many groups which sent messages of support.

It was a good-natured demonstration, with enthusiasm little dampened by the weather. Significantly, there were supporters from the whole spectrum of Belgian politics, proof that the anti-nuclear movement in the country is broadly based and is not the exclusive preserve of the left. Nevertheless, *it was obvious* that the movement is far from being able to rely on unanimous support in the country.

A group of young people handed out leaflets at the rally on behalf of the "committee for peace in liberty" protesting that the Soviet Union was doing nothing to reduce its nuclear threat in Europe.

The mayor of Gerpinnes, which borders Florennes, obtained a police order pro*hibiting the anti-nuclear move*ment from entering his area because, he said, the anit-nuclear movement was only directed against the West, and behind it, he said, there were always subversive elements.

The organizers were careful to avoid any trouble and appointed 100 stewards to make sure the occasion went off peacefully.

● TORONTO: More than 50,000 Canadians demonstrated at the weekend against tests of cruise missiles on Canadian soil and the nuclear arms race in general, AFP reports.

● UPPSALA: A the end of a four-day meeting in Sweden, church leaders from 60 countries urged the destruction of all nuclear weapons within five years, *Reuter reports.*

Spain 'turns down' submarine refit deal

Madrid – Spain turned down a $300m (£193m) deal to refit South African submarines in order to show its compliance with the United Nations arms embargo, according to information published here yesterday, Harry Debelius writes.

The Madrid daily, *El País*, quoted "a high administration source", who added that contracts for the construction of more submarines for the South African Navy were also to be reviewed.

The report, claiming that Spain's Socialist Government took the decision to refuse the contract within the first two months of taking office, comes in the middle of a nationwide municipal election campaign.

No explanation has been given for the timing of the disclosure.

Raiders flee Mozambique

Maputo (Reuter) – Mozambican troops intercepted a group of South African agents inside the country last Tuesday and captured a quantity of explosives, the official Mozambique news agency said yesterday.

The agency said troops had stopped the raiders in the Namaacha district near the South African border. The raiders, who were wearing civilian clothes, fled when confronted by the Army.

Rowling to go

Wellington (Reuter) – Mr Bill Rowling, the former New Zealand Prime Minister, has said he will retire from Parliament at the next general election, scheduled for November 1984. He has been an MP for 21 years and was leader of the Labour Party until replaced by Mr David Lange last February.

Killer bolt

Melbourne (Reuter) – One player died after lightning struck two hockey teams during a match in Hamilton, south-west Victoria. He was one of 24 people floored by a bolt of lightning just before halftime in the match.

Royal birth



Queen Nur of Jordan who gave birth to a girl yesterday, in Amman. King Husain already has two sons by this wife and three other sons and five daughters from previous marriages.

Colony's future

Hongkong – Sir Edward Youde, the Governor, has confirmed reports that he will take part personally in the continuing Peking talks on the future of the colony. Hongkong must be patient "because the 1997 talks are complicated and all the issues important," he said.

Afghan amnesty

Moscow (Reuter) – The Afghan Government announced an amnesty yesterday for some prisoners and called on insurgents to surrender, Tass said. No further details were given of the amnesty which marks the fifth anniversary of Russian-backed rule.

Tehran march

Tehran (AFP) – About 20,000 Armenians marched through the streets here yesterday to commemorate the 68th anniversary of the massacre of hundreds of thousands of Armenians by Turkish troops. Iranian security forces protected the marchers as they paraded.

Namibia talks

Paris (Reuter) – A UN conference on Namibia opens here today amid growing African impatience over the West's role in negotiating independence for the South African-ruled territory.

Paris blast

Paris (AFP) – A bomb exploded outside the office of the National Union of Uniformed Police yesterday on the fifth floor of a building in the northern sector of the city. Five people were slightly injured.

Burning protest

Barcelona (Reuter) – Catalan nationalists burnt the Spanish flag and set fire to a Socialist election kiosk after a demonstration in central Barcelona.

On Pole target

Yellowknife, Canada (AFP) – Radio contact has been reestablished with Ambrogio Fogar, the Italian who is attempting to walk to the Norh-Pole. Contact had been lost for five days. He *is only 150 miles from his goal.*

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Key test for Social Democrats

Portuguese go to the polls today

From Richard Wigg, Lisbon

The Portuguese people vote today in general eclection forced on them before time because of the collapse of the centre right coalition which governed during three years of deepening economic crisis.

Despite a poor record in office, what happens to the Social Democrats, the main partners in that coalition, will be the key question the voters have to answer.

A lacklustre campaign – especially by the Social Democrats – with poorly attended meetings for all the parties, made it unlikely the Socialists would obtain the more than 42 per cent needed for a majority in the 250-seat Parliament, thus obliging them to attempt to form a coalition with the Social Democrats.

Dr Mario Soares, the Socialist leader, ended his campaing-ing here on Saturday night calling for a "national consensus" to tackle Portugal's economic crisis. But he did not fill Lisbon's largest square.

All the parties stopped campaigning before the midnight deadline because they judged they could not compete with the evening's Eurovision song contest. In an atmosphere of disillusionment with the country's politicians the recently formed "25 of April Association", now grouping about 1,500 officers who took part in the April, 1974, revolution is to open its club premises here today.

Its leaders have denied they are waiting in the wings should the elections bring no government strong enough to tackle the nation's problems. But the widespread expressions of gratitude to the soldiers for ending almost 50 years of authoritarian rule indicate Portugal's politicians are now facing a test.

Dr Soares has given warning that he foresees up to two months of negotiations over a coalition because of the likely crisis today's vote could provoke among the Social Democratic leaders.

Senhor Francisco Pinto Balsemão, the caretaker Prime Minister, said at the weekend he wanted to be relieved of office in a month. President Eanes has only limited powers to hasten the coalition building if the Social Democratic leaders insist on bargaining.

Professor Carlos Mota Pinto, the man put in to lead the Social Democrats during the elections has his own future at issue in tonight's results.

● **Prophets of doom**: Portugal has had 14 Governments, ranging from Communist to Conservative, since the 1974 coup which ended nearly half a century of Fascist dictatorship, Reuter reports. Today will be the tenth time since then that voters have been called to the polls.

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Senators to step up trade war

From Nicholas Ashford, Washington

The US Senate is expected to vote shortly on a Bill which, if approved, would allow the Administration to make use of wheat stocks held in reserve for famine relief as a means of subsidizing commercial food exports by American farmers.

Such a move would signal a new phase in the agricultural trade war which has been brewing between the US and the European Community. Both sides have accused each other of unfairly subsidizing food exports.

The measure is contained in the Agricultural Export Equity and Market Expansion Act, otherwise known as "The Helms Bill" after Senator Jesse Helms, chairman of the Senate agriculture committee, who has been urging the Administration to take a tough line with the Europeans on the issue of export subsidies.

The Bill also contains a number of other provisions which are directed at the European Community's common agricultural policy. They include the mandatory export of 150,000 tons of dairy products a year and the use of up to half of the revenue from such sales to subsidize other agricultural exports.

Under the terms of the Bill the administration could make use of up to 1,500,000 tonnes of the 4,000,000 tonnes of wheat grain held in reserve for emergency assistance to countries hit by famine. The security wheat reserve was established by the Carter Administration in 1980. The wheat held in the famine relief reserve is worth between $400m and $500m (up to £320m).

The new measure would enable farmers to obtain cheap grain from the famine reserve and then sell it overseas at commercial rates. "They are proposing to use a hunger relief programme as ammunition in the agricultural trade war," said Mr Nick Mottern, an official from Bread for the World, a leading relief organization.

A number of relief organizations have mounted a campaign to have the provision amended before the Bill is approved by the full Senate. But it is an uphill battle for them as the Bill has the support of most farm orgainizations as well as many senators. It was easily approved by the Senate agriculture committee in March.

Paradoxically, however, the main ally of the Bill's opponents may turn out to be the Reagan Administration. Although broadly sympathetic with the Bills aims, the Administration does not want to escalate the trade war with Europe before the Williamsburg economic summit at the end of next month.



Down on the farm: Princess Anne admiring a pear as she chats with Mr Shuji Nojiri at his farm yesterday at the start of her visit to Japan.

Princess's farmhouse tea

Utsunomiya, Japan – Princess Anne visited a farm house near Utsunomiya about 60 miles north of Tokyo yesterday, to have a frist-hand look at the life of Japanese farmers.

Accompanied by her husband Captain Mark Phillips, she arrived in Tokyo on Saturday for a week-long visit to attend the opening performance of the Royal Ballet's tour of Japan

The royal couple visited the home of Mr Shuji Nojiri, aged 37, where they were given Japanese tea. They drove to Nikko, a hot-spring resort known for the sixteenth-century Toshogu shrine built by Shogun Ieyasu Tokugawa.

Tomorrow they will meet Emperor Hirohito and on Wednesday they will attend a dinner given by Crown Prince Akihito and Princess Michiko.

Difficulties of Maoris given royal sympathy

From W. P. Reeves
Wellington

It was a day steeped in Maori culture aand tradition for the Prince and Princess of Waless yesterday when they were entertained at Te Poho O Rawiri Marae in Gisborne.

Under cloudless skies representatives of tribes and schools of the east coast presented *hakas* and action songs on the lawns in front of the carved meeting house.

Responding to spe ches of welcome, the Prince began with a greeting in Maori, a gesture which delighted the crowd. He went on to talk about the problems of adjustment and adaptability in a complex and technological society, difficulties of special relevance to the Maori people, particularly the young as they moved from traditional rural areas

"Today we live in an era of bewildering change which makes adaption to modern conditions extremely hard", the Prince said. "Developments in technology and in industrial methods, together with the spread of urbanization and all that that means, have helped to wrench us from the sheet anchor of our past, from culrure and traditional skills and those things which help to provide us with a sense of meaning."

The royal visitors moved freely among the crowd before meeting tribal elders inside the meeting house.

Prince William took the spotlight on Sunday. Making his first publi appearance of the tour, t 10-month-old Prince starred before the 100 cameras of the press corps. Dressed in a lemon shirt and apricot rompers he crawled, stood, gurgled, smiled, said something that might pass for "Dada", and otherwise delighted his parents

Zia 'sallies forth into political arena'

From Hasan Akhtar
Islamabad

In a bylined front-page news analysis yesterday the editor of Islamabad's only English daily, *The Muslim*, said General Zia ul-Hag, Pakistan's military ruler since July 1977, has embarked on a three stage political plan leading to his emergence as an acceptable political leader by March 1984. Pakistan has been ruled for most of its 35-year history by Army chiefs.

Mr Mushahid Hussain, the editor, recalled General Zia's recent "Civic Jalsas" – another name for restricted public meetings – in the interior of Sind and at Gujranwala in the heartland of the Punjab, and observed: "This is definately a new style of politics which the President has embarked on after being firmly in the saddle for six years.

"The President seems to be seriously entering the political arena as one of the options available to him in the near future."

He said General Zia had decided to "discard the intention to give the country a khaki-coloured constitution – one that would provide a permanent constitutional role for the armed forces in running the country".

The editor believes General Zia has been buoyed in his political ambitions by his foreign visits since the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan, including his meetings with the leaders of the United States, China and the Soviet Union as well as by "the improvement in ties with India".

Several other political observers do not agree, however. They assert that General Zia will not quit his "military constituency", and will not risk any political role for himself.

Twists in Poland's politics of food

From Roger Boyes
Warsaw

Food is high politics in Poland. In the past when food prices have risen, regimes have fallen and sometimes it seems as if there is more political volatility in a meat queue than in the Communist Party Central Committee.

Small wonder then that Polish and Western observers have been both fascinated and confused by the latest twists and turns in the politics of food. Mr Jerzy Wojtecki, the much respected Agriculture Minister, has resigned because of "fatigue". A new anti-inflation programme entails the taxation of farmers. Warsaw bakers complain that unless they can raise the price of bread – kept artificially low for political reasons – they will go bankrupt. Rumours abound of a reduction in the meat ration from next year.

What is going on? On the surface the food economy seems to be ticking over adequately – indeed supplies appear to have improved in the past year.

Western estimates of grain production suggest that the picture has not radically changed since last year's record crop, thanks to a mild winter and early spring. Based on winter sowings, Poland should produce 19.8 million tonnes of grain compared to 21.2 million last year.

But problems are tucked away behind the figures. The immediate question is how to persuade the farmer to sell more of his produce to the state. Only a small fraction of last year's grain crop was actually given to the state (and therefore the state shops).

The farmer does not trust the Government and he does not trust the zloty. He has plenty of money at present but nothing to spend it on – there's not enough fertilizer or machinery to soak up his income.

The reason why Mr Wojtecki resigned, informed observers say, is bound up with this dilemma. The Government has set itself two main priorities during this austerity period: to feed the nation and to beat inflation. But one way of beating inflation, according to the Government's financial experts, is to soak up the zloties in the private sector, above all the farmers' zloties.

The various mooted posibilities – a land tax, or a generalized or specific farmers' income tax – have scared the farmers at precisely the time when confidence should have been built up. Mr Wojtecki, who had won the trust of farmers by resisting any idea of forced grain sales to the state and who had favoured a constitutional amendment guaranteeing the right to own and farm land, was clearly put in a difficult position. Extra taxes discourage production.

Fugitive caught

Warsaw (AP) – The Polish authorities announced yesterday the dentention of Jozef Pinior, one of five fugitive Solidarity leaders, who met this month with Mr Lech Walesa, the leader of the banned union.

PAP news agency said Mr Pinior was taken into police custody in his hometown of Wrocclaw. A search of the flat in which he was hiding uncovered "anti-state" documents and large sums of Polish and foreign money.

Ethiopia reshuffles ministers

From Charles Harrison
Nairobi

Ethiopia's Provisional Military Adminstrative Comcil (PMAC), which has ruled the country since the overthrow of Emperor Haile Selassie in 1974, has carried out its most extensive reshuffle of government ministers and senior officials.

While it is assumed that the aim is to strengthen the government machine, the PMAC has offered no explanaion for the changes, or for their timing; but they coincide with recently announced moves to prepare for the drawing up of a formal constitution for a Marxist-Leninist state, in which Eritrea and other ethnically-distinct regions, could have a federal-type relationship. In the latest changes, announced at the weekend, Dr Feleke Edle-Giorgis, the former Foreign Minister, was appointed Minister of Information and National Guidance. He was replaced as Foreign Minister by Colonel Gosbu Wolde, formerly Minister of Education.

Major Giram Yilma, the former Information Minister, is now Minister of Culture and Sports Affairs. Dr. Tefere Wonde, formerly Minister of Health, was named as representative for the Eritrean region on the committee which is preparing the formation of a workers' party – the first political pary in Ethiopia.

The new Education Minister is Mr Bililigne Mandefor, formerly Commissioner for Higher Education, and the new Health Minister is Brigadier-General Dr Gizaw Tsehay, a renowned surgeon.

Several ministers and senior officials were given new posts last week – including Mr Shimelis Adugna, the former Commissiorner for Relief and Rehabilitation, who is now Commissioner for Children's Affairs.

Political observers see the sweeping leadership changes as moves by Lieutenant-Colonel Mengistu Haile Mariam, the military leader, to strengthen his own position in the ruling Dergue.

It is also known that the Soviet Union favours the introduction of constitutional changes to give a clearer shape to the Ethiopian leadership through the proposed workers' party.

Feminist leader loses extradition fight

From Ivor Davis, Los Angeles

Ginny Foat, the California feminist leader, will make her last appearance in a Los Angeles Court today before being extradited to Louisiana to face murder charges in connexion with the death of an Argentine businessman 17 years ago.

Last week the California Supreme Court rejected her request for a hearing as part of her efforts to avoid being extradited, and last week her counsel conceded that it was not in her best interests to continue challenging extradition to Jefferson Parish, Louisiana.

Mr Robert Tuller, her lawyer, now says she is anxious to go to Louisiana and begin the trial so that she can return to California.

Ms Foat, aged 49, who is on leave from her position as president of the California National Organization of Women, was arrested by Los Angeles police three months ago in connexion with the murder of Moises Chayo near New Orleans in 1965.

She was subsequently indicted for the crime by a New Orleans grand jury.

She has been in jail since her arrest and will appear in court today to be arraigned formally before being extradited. Her lawyers are expected to argue for bail pending trial.

When applied to sport, the frozen moment of a single photograph can analyse the psyche and anatomize technique. Even the humblest weekend player can learn from Borg's footwork and Mrs King's balance. These words and pictures are from a forthcoming book by **Catherine Bell**, the editor of *Tennis* magazine, and the sports photographer **Roy Peters**

Passing shots

John McEnroe

Wimbledon 1982



McEnroe is improvising a volley. His style is no style. It's instantly recognisable, and as hard to grasp as all those dinks and chips he's always hitting.

He dangles the racket, drags the head lower than his wrist, waves it away from his body, jumps at the ball, does all the things you're not supposed to do.

McEnroe makes nonsense of the usual geographic descriptons of grips – Eastern, Western, Continental. He holds the racket whichever way he wants. His grip here is a little higher on the racket handle than textbooks would advise, but this gives him extra feel and flexibility – "wristiness".

In spite of his vocal aggression, John's always been a gentle player, a deflector of volleys and precise placer of ground strokes. He's 5ft 11in tall and weighs around 165 pounds, but he often gives an impression of frailty. He's prone to injury, a young man whose physical and mental condition are interrelated and finely tuned.

Chris Lloyd

Wimbledon 1982



Left: Everything is excluded from this portrait of Chris Lloyd. There's no ball, no racket, no sense of place. It's difficult even to say which stroke is about to be played.

Chris is shorn of glamour, nearly the pure athlete that part of her always wanted to be. Her hair's damped down with sweat, her face is boyish. The modest earrings are a gesture to fashion, to the well-groomed modern woman she'll change back into in the dressing room.

Mrs Lloyd looks like herself as a young girl; those wide and steely eyes would fix an opponent and will the victory. For several years almost all women players were afraid of her.

Growing up as a famous person Chris developed a personality at once reserved and sociable, vulnerable and calculating, introspective yet immediately affable. She can express a cynical wit, and in the next breath, a cosily conventional sentimentality.

She likes to be called "Chrissie", an incongruously dainty name for a woman so fundamentally tough.

Tennis is a game of recurring crises – again and again you'll see this fearful look in a player's eyes as the future hangs on a split second.

Above right: Chris invented this backhand drive. Her position calls to mind golf, or cricket. Her balance is perfect – right leg braced against the body rotation, following through high and controlled. Unlike Jimmy Connors or Borg, she doesn't release her left hand at any time during the shot. This is because her whole manner of execution is more static, and there's no room for improvisation in movement. Mrs Lloyd usually dictates the tempo of play so well that she is seldom caught having to change her mind at the last minute, so a gallery of stills will show her hitting exactly the same stroke thousands of times. She won many tournaments because her backhand was absolutely reliable; she learned new strokes and different strategies but it was always there to fall back on.

Every great champion has a certain way of hitting the ball which is a signature. This is how Chris signed herself into history.

Bjorn Borg



Wimbledon 1981

Above right: Alone, Bjorn Borg changed the way tennis was played during the 1970s.

He didn't invent topspin, and he wasn't the first player to use a double-handed grip, but no man had used either of these techniques to such effect.

Here, Borg is hitting his two-handed backhand on the Centre Court at Wimbledon. Experts said his style could never adapt to grass, which is slippery and makes the ball bounce low, but Borg won Wimbledon five times between 1976 and 1980, proving that for a man of genius the surface only exists to be subdued.

All Borg's wizardry is in this picture. Precise footwork has brought him a perfect position to meet the ball early; the high, straight backswing will allow him to hit up and over the ball with heavy spin and good disguise.

His concentration is perfect. Those close-set eyes in a somewhat beaky face give away his secret weapon. Many other tennis players have copied his style; no one can share the rigorous application of his mind. Around his neck and on his wrist Borg wears the gold chains which are obligatory personal adornment for the modern male tennis professional, but on court he is without frivolity, immune to distraction.

Above left: Borg hasn't missed the ball here. He's swung it away and closed his eyes. The power of impact and the need for balance have detached his left hand from the racket; his legs are caught half way into that step which will bring him around on the baseline to see what's happened to his shot and to prepare for a reply. Although Borg's eyes are shut he's always known where the ball is.

This picture shows very clearly the points in Borg's physique which made him the ideal tennis player; broad shoulders, muscles bursting out of his shirt on his serving arm, narrow hips, perfectly muscled legs.

In 1982, after 15 years of constant tennis, Borg left the game suddenly. He never publicly discussed his troubles, he never complained. He simply became indifferent. The mastery, the elemental dominance, will never come back.

Billie Jean King

Birmingham 1982

If all the tennis players who ever lived were wiped from human memory and only Billie Jean King remained, you could reconstruct from the perfection of her technique the complete competitor.

Here Mrs King is running into a backhand volley, her finest shot. Volleying is the heart of aggressive, intelligent tennis, and no one, man or woman, ever volleyed better than Billie Jean, or ever understood so well the aesthetic and tactical possibilities of this beautiful stroke.

Today the arid strategies of topspin have forced everyone back to the baseline and taken away the impulse to move forward.

Martina Navratilova

Wimbledon 1982

Miss Navratilova is on her way out of the Centre Court after beating Chris Lloyd and winning her third Wimbledon singles title.

The flowers are an equivocal intrusion. They remind us that the woman athlete remains a woman first.

Most of her life Martina has been caught in this dilemma, for in every respect but sheer muscle power she plays tennis exactly like a man. Our culture won't give her the freedom to do this unless she makes regular symbolic gestures asserting her femininity. So she dyes her hair blonde andwears make-up.

Once on the tennis court Miss Navratilova must forget all these gestures and try to win through strength and intimidation.

Ivan Lendl

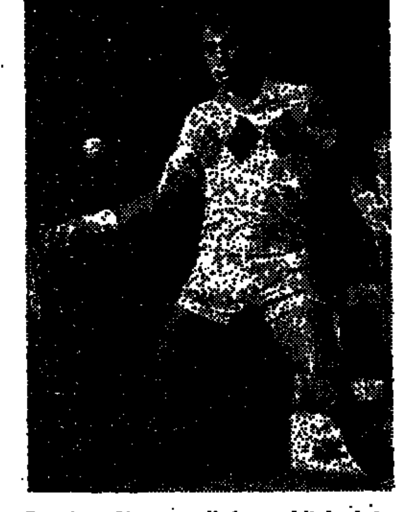
Paris 1982

Ivan Lendl resembles a marionette temporarily detached from the puppet master. He's about to strike his fearsome forehand on the loose red clay of the Stade Roland Garros.

Only a man of great strength can hold the racket like this. Lendl's Continental grip almost breaks the wrist coming under and over a high bouncing ball and whipping it with topspin.

Lendl's personality invites persiflage; he's proud and inflexible, a high-cheeked Slav from the industrial heart of Czechoslovakia.

Justice dictates that this sometimes pompously upright youth should be caught by the camera in a most ridiculous position.



Passing Shots *will be published in paperback by Frederick Muller on May 26, price £4.95*

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Great Little Railway Journeys

8: Paddington to Old Oak Common

Although only a mile or two in length, the line from Paddington to Old Oak Common runs through some of the most interesting industrial scenery in London. Jos Pinter's Biscuit Factory, the Nu-Quik Tyre Change Depot, The Harrow Road Jeans Mart, Albert Spandau's Wig and Mask Theatrical Second-Hand Exchange – all these line the route, as a memory of Britain's ever-changing role in world affairs. They are all now, unfortunately, closed.

The line was originally built to take workers from their homes in Paddington to their places of employ at Old Oak Common, or vice versa, and was planned by Isambard Kingdom Brunel as part of his grandiose scheme whereby travellers could go by train to Bristol, embark in the Great Britain to go to America, and travel on by the world's first all-metal airship, the Royal Western, to the town of Brunel, Pennsylvania, which he planned as the world's first steam-powered civic centre.

At Paddington Station, built by Brunel himself, with the help of 40,000 Irishmen, I inquire the plaform for the train to Old Oak Common. A friendly Caribbean employee points, and moments later I am sitting in the comfortable purlieus of a first class carriage, still stamped BR in memory of Brunel Railways.

As we move out of Paddington, so calmly that one scarcely notices it, a voice is heard over the loudspeaker. "Hmm. Ha. Yes. This is the guard speaking. This is the 9.15 Inter-City to Bath Spa, stopping at Reading. Thank you. Yes. Ha."

Many passengers, like myself, start up from their seats at the discovery that we are on the wrong train, and moments later we pass Old Oak Common at about 60 mph. It appears that it is now the custom to announce the destination of the train *after* its departure, to promote ticket sales among those who are taken hundreds of miles out of their way. But philosophically I sit down to enjoy the scenery of the line which was driven by Brunel with fanatical energy through such suburbs as Ealing, West Drayton and a place whose name I did not catch, but which boasts the Second-Hand Piano Foundry, perhaps built by Brunel himself.

Near Reading I am honoured by a visit from the guard himself, a Welshman in spectacles who informs me that a second-class ticket to Old Oak Common does not entitle me to sit where I am. Brunel's tremendous eye for detail is not dead yet. I hand over a cheque for £11 and am resituated in the second class, where I take the opportunity of studying my fellow passengers.

They seem to fall into three groups. Those reading the *Sun* newapaper and hitting their children over the head when they become noisy. Those listening to popular music on their headphones, which allow the drum beats to be heard two carriages away. And those business persons studying documents called Export Market Feasibility Studies.

Near Didcot, whose museum now houses many of Brunel's old engines, a new voice greets us over the loudspeaker. "Hello. Um. This. Is the Buffet Attendant. The buffet is now open in the middle of the train for the sale of light refreshments, snacks and drinks. Thank You." Immediately, all my neighbours arise and form a queue stretching for three carriages.

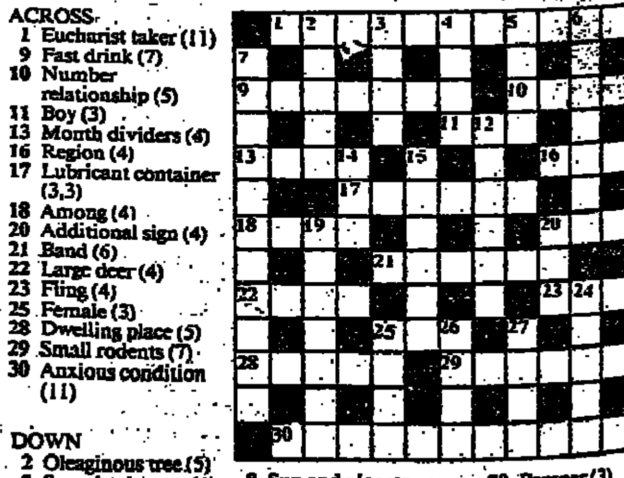
At the entrance to each carriage there are automatic doors which open and close at one's approach. The one nearest to me is kept permanently open because a young traveller has placed his rucksack on the spot which controls the door, resulting in the most tremendous draught. I go to engage him in conversation and he tells me with rough good humour what I can do with myself.

We are now going through the most tremendous scenery, which it is just possible to make out through the windows which have been smoked grey and adorned with dust, no doubt the very same dust excavated by Brunel's men these many years ago. Fields on either side, then more fields, and, round the corner, different fields, though very similar at first sight to the previous fields. Great country for field-lovers.

Very soon we arrive in Bath Spa, an ancient country town built by Brunel for the comfort and relaxation of people escaping from London to take the baths, which have now been closed. I enquire of a friendly employee how I should reach Old Oak Common. Why, sir, he says, you must go to Paddington and then change. He indicates a train lying waiting and pretty soon I am aboard and heading for, as it turns out, Weymouth, the seaside town built by Brunel.

Coming Soon: Great Little Railway Journeys 9: Weymouth to Old Oak Common, via Manchester.

CONCISE CROSSWORD (No 45)



ACROSS
1 Eucharist taker (11)
9 Fast drink (7)
10 Number relationship (5)
11 Boy (3)
13 Month dividers (4)
16 Region (4)
17 Lubricant container (3,3)
18 Among (4)
20 Additional sign (4)
21 Band (6)
22 Large deer (4)
23 Fling (4)
25 Female (3)
28 Dwelling place (5)
29 Small rodents (7)
30 Anxious condition (11)

DOWN
2 Oleaginous tree (5)
3 Sound enhancer (4)
4 Christmas (4)
5 Stiff paper (4)
6 Normal (7)
7 With matching sides (11)
8 Sun and planets (5,6)
12 Number system (6)
14 Turf (3)
15 Firm grasp (6)
19 Tedious (7)
20 Pamper (3)
24 Death notices (5)
25 Prophet (4)
26 Prepare for publication (4)
27 Acid (4)

SOLUTION TO No 44
ACROSS: 1 Shrimps 5 Momma 8 The 9 Whittle 10 Dodge 11 Knee 12 Put into 14 Thence forward 16 Perfume 18 Also 21 Croft 22 Ukelele 23 Rip 24 Leery 25 Tenancy
DOWN: 1 Sewn 2 Reign 3 Mother country 4 Steep 5 Mediterranean 6 Madonna 7 Adenoids 13 Atypical 15 Ear hole 17 Erupt 19 Stern 20 Dewy

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FINDINGS

A weekly series reporting on scientific research: EXPLORATION

Adudadus do very nicely in Greenland

Along the cold fringe of East Greenland, any young Briton is likely to be known to the locals as *adudadu*. The term, which is entirely complimentary, dates back to the British explorer Gino Watkins, who hunted among the ice floes in these parts, introducing himself to the locals with a formal "How do you do?" The greeting was turned quaintly into a noun and has stuck ever since. Since Watkins's day (he was drowned after falling out of his kayak), there have been a number of *adudadus* from the British School Exploration Society and other expeditions undertaking projects and exploring the same magnificent arctic wilderness for bona fide scientific reasons.

The other day, as my dog team pulled to a panting halt in the centre of a sealing village north of Angmagssalik, I met a group of wind-bronzed young *adudadus* led by Mr Ray Ward, economics teacher at Kingston Grammar School. They had been out on the far glaciers and snow-choked valleys for several weeks measuring the depths of snow to discover the potential for hydro-electric schemes.

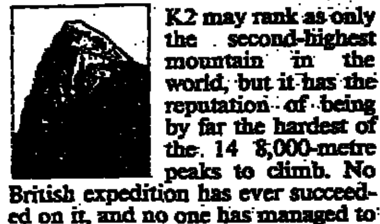
It must have been clear to them that lifestyles have changed in Greenland since the innocent days of Gino Watkins, and the honest Greenlander might now reply "Not very well, thank you" to his polite *adudadu*. Brigitte Bardot and a host of other conservationist-minded folk have, they feel, ruined the international market for seal skins, which is the mainstay of many a local economy in Greenland. Alcoholism is a severe problem, and in a community where rifles are as common as walking sticks, the murder rate is climbing alarmingly. There is some political pressure to return "to the old values", but the era of the video, of smart fashion and the cordless telephone is not established.

Taking to the air

A new way of exploring hostile ground covered by ice and cut by fast-flowing rivers will be tried out this summer by an expedition that plans to combine the merits of canoes and micro-light aircraft. An international team, led by Mr Paul Vander-Molen, a British research engineer and widely experienced canoeist, is to make a south-to-north crossing to Iceland, navigating the full length of the Jökulsá River that pours from the Vatnajökll glacier.

The explorers will arrive in July at the point on the Iceland coast where the first settlers set foot in AD 847. From a lake in the centre of the glacier, kept from freezing by geothermal warmth, the powered hang-glider, fitted with floats and flown by Mr Gerry Breen, will survey the surface of the glacier, while cave explorers penetrate beneath the ice. Then follows a descent into the crater of the Askja volcano and a fast trip down the wild waters of the river, shooting a 178-foot-high waterfall by attaching the canoes to the undercarriage of the micro-light aircraft. "The nautical will become the aero-nautical," Mr Vander-Molen confidently declared. Finance for the project is coming from Britain and France, and films will be made.

With alpine-style



K2 may rank as only the second-highest mountain in the world, but it has the reputation of being by far the hardest of the 14 8,000-metre peaks to climb. No British expedition has ever succeeded on it, and no one has managed to make an "alpine-style" ascent. Doug Scott's strong nine-man team has set out, sponsored by the Mount Everest Foundation and the British Mountaineering Council to achieve both these aims. "It is very steep, remote and unquestionably a harder proposition than Everest," said Scott, who should know, having climbed Everest by its south-west face and taken part in 17 Himalayan expeditions, including two attempts on K2.

Formation diving



Beneath the hotels and pleasure palaces of Grand Bahama lies an exquisite, flooded labyrinth known as the Lucayan Caverns, home of the rare Speleonectes Lucayansis, a crustacean thought to be extinct 250 million years ago. The caverns are to be the target for an expedition of cave divers which will include Mr Rob Palmer, of Bristol, who is expert in the exploration of the flooded "Blue Holes" in the Bahamas. The expedition is approved by the Grand Bahama Government. He described the caverns as "incredibly spectacular", with pristine under-water formations that will be vulnerable to any haphazard or careless exploration. "It is only about 60 foot down; five miles of passages which have not been completely explored, filled with the most beautiful limestone shapes." The Bahamas National Trust, however, rightly banned anyone from going into the caves. With the rapid spread of interest in scuba diving, the trust is concerned that the fragile environment could be ruined. The expedition will plot the caverns and suggest a suitable management plan.

Ronald Faux

PROFILE: Iris Murdoch

Crusading in a fantasy world



Harry Kerr

Iris Murdoch publishes *The Philosopher's Pupil* on Thursday. It is her twenty-first novel. Her first *Under the Net* was published in 1954. *The Sea, The Sea* (1978) won her the Booker Prize for fiction.

First we were to meet in Steeple Aston. Her place. Then we were to meet in London. My place. Next there was the question of a French trip. Not, for me, unfortunately. Finally, we compromised on Salisbury. By kind permission of Mr and Mrs Bayley's hostess for the weekend, the widow of a distinguished artist.

Iris Murdoch married John Bayley in 1956. He is Warton Professor of English Literature and a Fellow of St Catherine's College, Oxford.

I was sorry to miss Steeple Aston. In particular, the romantically wild garden through which John Bayley draws paths with a lawnmower. I would have liked to see for myself the greenhouse wherein sits the tank in which Iris Murdoch luxuriates, watched over by a classical bust.

Water is a pervasive theme in many of the Murdoch novels. In early books such as *The Bell* a lake casts an almost magic presence over the action. In *The Sea, The Sea*, it is even more central. In *The Philosopher's Pupil* much of the action, including the ghastly denouement, takes place at a once Roman spa.

As it turns out, the house in Salisbury is built, English cottage turned Venetian palazzo, right over the deep waters of the River Avon. Professor Bayley regrets that they have not yet swum there. But the regret is tinged by confidence in the future. Sitting above the fiercely swirling water, Iris Murdoch looks a very pretty person. Huge bright blue eyes and child-like complexion. A china cat.

She wears a blue and white blouse with a frill. Not the expected philosopher's uniform.

Iris Murdoch was for 15 years a lecturer in Philosophy at St Anne's College, Oxford. She has published three books of philosophy: *Sartre, Romantic Rationalist, The Sovereignty of Good* and *The Fire and The Sun*.

Two informants had tried to give me a descriptive preview. One had suggested someone "kindly, like a philosopher and not at all like a wicked authoress". The second saw her a perfect reflection of her novels, "like a character out of Hieronymous Bosch – the very nicest character". On the whole I am inclined to agree with the first estimate. Though it must depend on one's image of a philosopher. The Philosopher of the new novel is a man, John Robert Rozanov. He has, in his creator's words, "despaired of philosophy".

"Who could fathom Plato's mind? Unless one is a genius, philosophy is a mug's game. There were not even any books any more. All the books were inside him now. Even the familiar act of reading had been taken from him. It had been his fate not to be interested in anything except everything. If he could live another hundred years, could time reverse its sense and lead him gently into a precious clarity? As it was, he saw through every notion that he had ever had, the 'insights' won by a sustained asceticism appeared to him now as so much rather nasty stuff which he had made up out of nothing. Artists have beauty and nature at their side, but a philosopher must contain his world inside his head until... it be unified, clarified... until he can become a god... or else perceive that all is nothing."

"THE PHILOSOPHER'S PUPIL", p.130

The words echo Miss Murdoch's reported view that philosophy is almost impossibly difficult. The Iris Murdoch who sits above the waters of the Avon denies any relationship to her tragic catalyst. (The only character Miss Murdoch admits to drawing

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from life is the very human dog in her latest book.) Philosophy is difficult, she admits. Particularly her sort which does not divide the intellect from the will. Much recent philosophy sees things of the intellect as "clear and hard and factual" while the will and the emotions are "peripheral and unclear" and that is where the religious instinct is presumed to lie. She says rather regretfully, "I've gone along my own road. I'm really very separate now from Oxford philosophers, which is a pity in a way.... The excitement of discussing philosophy has passed out of my life..." Not however out of her mind, nor out of her books, nor even, as a matter of fact, entirely out of her life.

In November, 1982, Iris Murdoch gave the Gifford Lectures in Edinburgh with the title "Metaphysics as a guide to Morals".

It is inevitable that any discussion with Iris Murdoch on philosophy soon leads to what would generally be called a discussion of religion. Having discovered that I am "croyant" a certain freedom seems to enter her conversation. She does not believe in God, "a personal God", which is why Buddhism has such an appeal for her. She does believe in "spiritual change". Christ is no more than a prophet. But the Christian mythology is, in her opinion, very important as "a mode of understanding". The religious dimension is essential. Here she bewails the lack of religion in China and, indeed, in England now. She cites as very dangerous the modern notion "that good and evil can be blurred" and that we should learn to accept the dark side of our natures. She says that "the absolute difference of good and bad" is almost a definition of religion. She pictures human beings "stretched out between these things. So one's always in movement."

To me this brilliantly describes the effect her novels produce. The characters seem to walk on a tight rope, with only darkness below and no particular end in view. Yet sustained by the very act of staying on and, as Miss Murdoch says, constrained to be always in movement. Our conversation, therefore, moves to the novelist. Though in a sense any attempt to separate novelist and philosopher is artificial.

But first there is an interruption in the form of a cheerful John Bayley appearing out of the rain. He has just bought an excellent tweed cap which his hostess later reveals as a product of the Bayleys' favourite shop – "Good as New". We stand up to stretch and peer admiringly at the soaring confidence of the Salisbury Cathedral spire.

One of the most pleasurable aspects of reading Iris Murdoch's novels is the feeling of confidence she inspires. The voice is so sure, instantly recognizable in the way Pinter or Powell are recognizable. She acknowledges this, though gently pointing out that she's had a few years to work on it and also warning of the danger of complacency, the barrier to progress. She brings to our discussion a wave of enthusiasm and, yes, enjoyment in the battle for creation. None of the fashionable anguish here. She rather gives the impression of a well-equipped warrior going into battle with blood up and determined step.

The novel is, after all, her great love and has become her life. The traditional novel, that is. She describes it as a "hall of reflection", a great huge place, "a happy form" which can encompass every sort of comedy, of tragedy. Shakespeare was the first novelist... or perhaps Murasaki Shikiby, who in the eleventh century wrote *The Tale of Genji*, the great Japanese masterpiece, should be allowed first place. This attitude makes clear why her books cover so many pages.

Of the last three novels by Iris Murdoch, none falls below 500 pages. *The Sea, The Sea* is 501 pages. *Nuns and Soldiers* is 505 and *The Philosopher's Pupil* is 576.

Critics, even those essentially admiring, have suggested that editorial work would improve the overall impact. But you need volume to fit in all the different aspects of life, as Miss Murdoch describes life. She sees herself as belonging to the Anglo-Russian tradition. She reads the great nineteenth century novels over and over again – "They feed one". She has little time (perhaps literally) for contemporary fiction. But she feels it is in an "interesting" state, the writers unnecessarily concerned with technical problems when all they need to do is "relax" and learn the great form that is there waiting for them. Perhaps her critics would feel she, herself, is too relaxed. Certainly there is a modern brand of impatience which does not wish to chew over images and character in the Murdoch manner.

I find her enthusiasm exhilarating, making me appreciate what an exciting teacher she must have been. (A clever and ebullient friend of mine attending St Anne's in the 1960s had always painted a happy picture of their tutorials together.) Humbly offering the information that I have written one novel to rival hers in length and another inspired by the story of Anna Karenina, I am rewarded by an encouraging "Well done!" Novel writing, it is clear, is a matter of constant hard work and hard thought. Inspiration is another matter altogether and cannot be profitably discussed.

"Hard reflection" is the way she describes the early planning stage for a new novel. By the time this stage is over, every chapter is created in note form, every character moulded. And, as a crowning nod, given names. Characterization and the shifting relationships between a fairly large cast of characters are the meat of Iris Murdoch novels. She likes "a wide lens", distrusting the novelist's tendency to concentrate on one or two characters whose point of view thus dominates the whole work. *The Philosopher's Pupil*, for example, although pivoting on the relationship between master and pupil, also moves its axis on to other characters. Indeed, the book is some way forward before it becomes clear that George, the pupil, has no worthwhile existence outside the sphere of his teacher, John Robert Razanov. And it is only gradually that John Robert himself takes command of the centre of the stage. Other themes, notably the death of one child set against the continued existence of his cousin, are allowed to seem more important than they turn out to be. Again, a kind of delaying tactic which goes counter to most modern writing, in which an immediate impact is sought.

But this is part of the Murdoch game. The eye of perception alters continually, subtly. There are tricks, red herrings. Even the God-like author does not get it right all the time. A described action may be modified by the word "probably". Besides this, the flow of the story is often interrupted by a narrator. Miss Murdoch says this is to make it easier to do some moralizing and also to give another perception to the story. *The Sea, The Sea* is notable for an enthralling opening section which is immediately denied:

"I had written the above, destined to be the opening paragraph of my memoirs, when something happened which was so extraordinary and so horrible that I cannot bring myself to describe it."

With such teasing in mind, it is interesting to hear Miss Murdoch talk admiringly about the virtues of the "straightforward" novel. My suggestion that her novels are as straightforward as an eel is countered with the advice that "There are a hundred ways to tell a straight tale". And it is absolutely true that a cold-blooded analysis of most of her stories (very difficult to achieve) will reveal a surface narrative which could be in the old Boots lending libraries. However, she has chosen to uncover the underside of her stories, the dark secrets and obsessions which motivate the characters. This is where the oddness that people pick out as the Murdoch characteristic comes from. "The dramas of the human heart" make the central matter of her books, she says. And the human heart is notable for its passion for secrecy.

Much of what she uncovers is, unsurprisingly, sinister and frightening. Iris Murdoch's preoccupation with the battle between good and evil ensures that there are always unpleasant figures hardly rising above the ever-threatening darkness below. Yet there is hope too. The struggle continues. Battered and bruised, the human spirit fights on.

In simple terms of readability, Iris Murdoch has two great gifts. She has a superb ear for dialogue, treating her conversationalists like dualists wielding words like rapiers. Backwards, forwards, in and out. It takes a supple mind to bring off several pages filled with nothing but the spoken word. The other gift is the unfashionable one of description – both of geography and character. She is not afraid of adjectives and will sometimes use a whole row of them without self-consciousness.

"Earler Alex had again seen the pretty vixen reclining while four fluffy milk-chocolate brown cubs with light blue eyes and stubby tails played tig on the lawn"

"THE PHILOSOPHER'S PUPIL" p.423

This visual concern was doubtless why *The Bell* was chosen to be turned into a recent television serial. And, indeed, why it worked so well, despite the very untelevisual psychological complications of its characters. Broaching the subject of description with Miss Murdoch, I am met with a lovely smile and "I like descriptions. I like places."

Our own visual imagery has now included a swan on the river, hailed in a friendly way by Iris Murdoch as "Old boy". This for some reason reminds me of the subject of children. The Bayleys have none, "Alas!". And Iris Murdoch was herself an only child, enjoying a "perfect trinity of love" with her mother and

There are a hundred ways to tell a straight tale

father. Elswhere she has said that her lack of siblings led her towards creating characters. Her fictional child – they usually come one at a time – is a powerful being, possessor of a secret greater even than the adults. This might be a product of Miss Murdoch's own solitary childhood imaginings, or of a lack of familiarity with the more ordinary, loud-mouthed variety parents learn to treat with contempt.

Raising the subject, I am answered by the unarguable point that "the entry of a child into any situation changes the whole situation". Besides she admits cheerfully to enjoying creating children and "to having a very nice child" in the book she's writing at the moment.

Yet again, I'm struck by the gleam of excitement. Another book in progress, more creation. More reaching to something beyond the every day. Art, in her view, is one of the best ways of getting to the meaning of life. True art, that is, good art. For, as Plato pointed out, art can be a terrible trickster...

But before we return inevitably to "religion and morals" – Iris Murdoch's own summary of her major concerns – I want to stay with the everyday a moment longer. What are her views on politics, for example, and the changing role of women? It sounds terribly dull, even to my ears, but we persevere. She used to vote Labour but now finds herself out of tune with modern politics. More particularly, she is a very convinced European, feeling the Common Market vital to Britain's interests "politically, spiritually and commercially." Earlier she had responded to my half suggestion that her vision of life might be limited after 30 years living in Oxfordshire by pointing out very firmly that she had travelled to America, Russia, Australia, Thailand, Singapore, India, Iceland, Japan, to name but a few.

Feminism she commends, though she is very opposed to its segregationist elements. She notes that the position of women, children and homosexuals have all improved over the past 20 years despite the prophecies of the disintegration and decay of our society.

Later, over lunch, I get a real whiff of crusading feminist spirit. And it is, of course, only after we have drifted back to "religion and morals". Like all sensible people, Iris Murdoch does not enjoy the formal interview. Before going to our meeting, I'd been given a clipping which opened: "Iris Murdoch makes good books and bad interviews." Possibly because of our position over the racing river (a way of ultimate escape?) our talk was relatively painless. However it was not till lunch that I realized that Miss Murdoch absolutely loves talking. And that she is very good at it – particularly when there's a move towards argument.

An extremely good restaurant ("Oh isn't food a pleasure!") in the wet streets of Salisbury is the location. Subjects, as they say, are wide-ranging. Herpes is an improbable opener. But it is the subject of women for the priesthood that really arouses the passions. Iris Murdoch is the most vociferously in favour and myself – daring pupil and teacher – most determinedly against. Although our hostess, daughter of a bishop, might *claim* more knowledge of the matter.

Argument, conversation was always the hallmark of the Oxford don. Perhaps it still is. The conversation of ideas is unfortunately rare among my contemporaries. Soon we move from the sex of priests to the more general question of spiritual belief. Excitement rises, the core of the matter probed more and more fiercely until in a haze or words and ideas I hear Iris Murdoch cry, "Christ is real! Christ is real!" John Bayley looks somewhat anxious, feeling, possibly, that the statement is open to misunderstanding. But I presume to see what she means.

Christ is real for her in the way a work of art is real. During the interview she had said, "I believe we live in a fantasy world, a world of illusion. And the great task in life is to find reality." Christ's story is one way of arriving at the truth which Miss Murdoch perceives as a religious sense. In her dramatic words, both philosopher and artist are present. It confirms my belief that, whatever the individual strengths or weaknesses of this year's Murdoch offering, the novel has seldom had a more original, more energetic or serious practioner.

I am also reminded with astonishment of the warning of a friend who had sat next to Iris Murdoch at a dinner party: "She doesn't speak. She hums."

Rachel Billington

Life and works

born Dublin, July 15 1919
educated at the Froebel Educational Institute, London; Badminton School, Bristol; Somerville College, Oxford.

Her books:
1953 Sartre, Romantic Rationalist
1954 Under the Net
1955 The Flight from the Enchanter
1957 The Sandcastle
1958 The Bell
1961 A Severed Head (play, 1963)
1962 An Unofficial Rose
1963 The Unicorn
1964 The Italian Girl (play, 1967)
1965 The Red and the Green
1966 The Time of the Angels
1968 The Nice and the Good
1969 Bruno's Dream
1970 A Fairly Honourable Defeat
1970 The Sovereignty of Good
1971 An Accidental Man
1973 The Black Prince
1974 The Sacred and Profane Love Machine
1975 A Word Child
1976 Henry and Cato
1977 The Fire and the Sun
1978 The Sea, The Sea
1980 Nuns and Soldiers

Her plays:
1970 The Servants and The Snow
1972 The Three Arrows
1980 Art and Eros

Her poems:
1978 A Year of Birds

THE TIMES DIARY

Bloods up

This week's issue of *The Field* suggests that Michael Foot may have raced off after a false scent when pledging his party to ban hunting. It reports a debate attended by more than 100 trade unionists at Huddersfield Friendly and Trades Club. Proposing a motion to fight any party that tried to drag field sports into politics, G Woodrow catalogued trade union involvement in the Colne Valley Beagles: "One of the ex-Masters, Keith Brook, AUEW shop steward; huntsman P Wood, Nupe; whippers-in C Ridsdale, AUEW, M Fitton, Nupe; on the committee K Vickerman, Textile Workers' Union, T Reast, Fire Brigades Nupe, myself, AUEW . . . Master of Mink Hounds, G O'Brien, Nupe, huntsmen and whips from the unemployed." Woodrow's resolution was passed, unanimously.

Bolt from the blue

That the right-wing historian David Irving should question the authenticity of the Hitler diaries occasions no surprise. In a recent issue of *The bookseller* his publishers, Macmillan, readvertised his offer of £1,000 to anyone who could provide documentary evidence to refute any statement in his book *Hitler's War*. If the diaries are accepted, the money must be surely at risk.

Singalongakiri

Dame Kiri te Kanawa goes pop this week, with a recording label all of her own. Her single, released this week with the catalogue number KANA-1, is culled from her classical album, *Songs of the Auvergne*, which has climbed higher in the LP charts than any previous Decca Classical release. It is currently at No 57.

What's in a name?

There could be some nominal confusion over the new issue of *The Fiction Magazine*. It has a story entitled *"Outward Journey"* topped with an etching of a departing train. It is by Peter Parker. Not that Peter Parker: this one is a writer who was a contributor to *Gay News*. Then Clive Sinclair makes two contributions: one is an interview feature, the other a gift of £3,000 sponsorship. Not the same Clive Sinclair, though. One is the young novelist and literary editor of *Jewish Chronicle*. The money is from Clive Sinclair, of the microchips, and very welcome it is since the Arts Council has drastically cut the magazine's grant for the coming year.

Lacklustre

Britons, you fail to fire the literary imagination. The verdict is Anthony Burgess's, voiced in his Afterword to *The Heritage of British Literature*, to be published next month. In a survey of post-war writing Burgess says Britain produced nothing to compare with America. There are no British writers to compare with Bellow, Mailer and Gore Vidal. Braine, Wain, Sillitoe and the 1950s new wave were not "a true literature of revolt", though he does have guarded praise for such Commonwealth writers as Doris Lessing, V. S. Naipaul and Patrick White. "The trouble generally with the English novel was the lack of anything to write about", he postulates. "I myself had to go to Malaya to learn how to write fiction."

● *Architect Peter Benton tells me that a copy of the Building (Third Amendment) Regulations 1983 which he recently purchased was three pieces of paper six inches by nine and a half, costing £1.25. "I think", he says, "my next set of building regulations will have to come from the Japanese."*

Chew choice

I have it from the British Food Export Council's latest bulletin that toffees are much in demand from Israel, the West Bank, and the Gaza Strip. The Israelis like them dried, which must be tough, and the people in Gaza prefer them in decorated tins. The Lebanese, in contrast, crave more whisky, and who can blame them?

NItpicking

Mike Scott wrote to his local (Bletchley) DHSS requesting a new national insurance card and enclosing a cheque to cover seven self-employed stamps. He has so far received the following replies, in order: the new card; a note acknowledging receipt of his letter; a receipt for the cheque; and a note asking the name and number of the person whose card is to be credited with the sum. He has replied, and is expecting quite a lot of correspondence shortly.

When Susan Baker gives her next concert, at the Fairfield Halls on May 3, there will be a newcomer among her score of violins. It was fashioned by a Sicilian prisoner of war held in an African camp during the last war. Baker was given it by an elderly fan who worked in a music shop and who paid £2 for it out of sympathy when the shop manager turned away a woman anxious to sell. She says the instrument is beautifully made, but being all hard Malawi wood does not resonate as well as traditional maple and pine. John Bunyan, Baker reminds me, made a tin fiddle during his imprisonment, and it is still to be seen in Bedford Museum. Naturally Baker has a tin fiddle of her own. It is made of two Spanish olive oil tins and an Australian beer can, carries a seal of purity, and "makes a fine oleaginous sound".

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Bernard Levin: the way we live now

Don't jump, Denis, don't jump!

During the Mau Mau rebellion in Kenya in the 1950s, there was much talk, usually after the ladies had left the room, of an oath taken by those admitted into the inner ranks of the insurgents. The Mau Mau oath, so the story ran, was of such unspeakable and obscene barbarism in what its swearers pledged themselves to do, and was accompanied by acts of such frightful bestiality as part of the ceremony, that it put the initiates beyond the furthest limits of civilization, and left them ready to do any act of darkness required of them thereafter, so entirely dehumanized were they by their participation in the grisly rites.

It has often occurred to me since that there are parallels for the Mau Mau oath, even in our comparatively genteel political process, in the form of actions which, once taken, leave the taker unable to find any good reason for refusing any subsequent demand made upon him, however unthinkable it would have been only a short time before:

. . . I am in blood
Stepp'd in so far that, should I wade no more,
Returning were as tedious as go o'er.

I have argued in the past that the Suez affair of 1956 was the Tories' Mau Mau oath; the shameless, unqualified, naked lying on the part of the Government – to Parliament, to the country, to the press, to the United Nations, to the Americans, to Nato, to the troops themselves – severed a tenuous but real link with principle that until then had survived all the exigencies and necessary compromises of politics, and in doing so robbed first Conservatism and then British politics in general (without Eden *there could have been no Macmillan*, and without Macmillan there would have been no Wilson) of something that has never been subsequently restored, though in recent years Mrs Thatcher has shown some sign of meaning what she says and vice versa.

All of which brings me to Mr Healey. Whenever the election takes place, and on whatever grounds it is fought, he will be the key figure in the Labour campaign. Mr Foot is a burnt-out case, taken seriously by nobody on his own side or the other; Mr Shore's attempts to produce a coherent and realistic economic policy for his party have succeeded only in reinforcing the truth of the well-known computer-programmers' acronym GIGO ("garbage in, garbage out"); Mr Wedgwood Benn is the figure whom the other Labour leaders will conspire to pretend does not exist; Mr Merlyn Rees needs no such conspiracy, for he *doesn't* exist, nor is it necessary to invent him; Mr Silkin – but I think I had better *stop* here, lest I should say something we would all regret.



Labour in turmoil, as seen by Cummings in the Daily Express last week

Mr Healey, however, is real, intelligent, skilled, forceful and almost ready. I say almost: "Oh, the little more, and how much it is! And the little less, and what worlds away!" For Mr Healey has a decision before him, and it is no light one. He has to decide whether *he is going to take his own Mau Mau oath.*

Some say that he has taken it already, that he is forsworn beyond redemption. I think not, despite some ominous evidence; but his decision cannot be put off much longer, nor concealed once taken.

The nature of the decision he faces is obvious. Is he going to reject his party's policy of unilateral nuclear disarmament – which includes not only giving up our nuclear weapons but expelling our Nato allies from Britain – or is he going to stump the country telling lies? I put it as bluntly as that because there is no third choice for him, wriggle as he may. If Mr Healey says he believes that Britain ought to disarm on her own, he says that which is not true, for he does not believe it, and no amount of drawing attention to the small print in the draft manifesto (so full of weasel words, incidentally, that it might have been written by Sir Harold Wilson *himself*) will save him. Mr Healey believes in multilateral disarmament; he believes that unilateral disarmament is not, as CND falsely claims, a step towards that goal, but the negation of it; he knows that the inevitable consequence of Britain's abandonment of nuclear defence is our ultimate withdrawal from Nato, and he believes that we should *not* withdraw from Nato. *In short, he* believes that his party's policy is dishonest in conception, wrong in principle and disastrous in effect, and to assert that this is what he believes it is not necessary to bug his pillow-talk; everything he has said and done for 30 years puts it beyond argument.

Now he stands on the cliff edge of his personal doom. Once he jumps, Newton will do the rest; once he begins to say he supports his party's policy of neutralism and surrender, the Mau Mau oath will take irreversible effect, and he will be indistinguishable from Mr Hattersley. Mr Hattersley, after all, is no more in favour of his party's nuclear policy than is Mr Healey, but neither is he in favour of cannibalism, yet he will support both the one and the other without the smallest disturbance to his equanimity if he thinks such action will bring him closer to the attainment of his political ambitions.

And is Mr Healey to step into the same mire, to insist, for the same ignoble reason, that black is white, hot cold, treachery loyalty, surrender resistance, war peace, falsehood truth? I was in the hall at Scarborough when Hugh Gaitskell promised to fight and fight and fight again to reverse his party's disastrous commitment to nuclear surrender, and I watched those who *thought like Mr Healey applaud* that speech, while Gaitskell's enemies – who were, and are, Mr Healey's enemies and this country's enemies – sat with their arms folded. The policy was reversed, and Mr Healey played his part in its reversal. Nothing in principle has changed since then, save that Britain's commitment to Nato and its policy has become more important, and her abandonment of her commitment has become concomitantly more dangerous.

Mr Healey, of course, has not abandoned that commitment. The question is whether he is going to pretend that he has, whether, that is, he is going to cross a river which, for his character as an honest, honourable and patriotic man, will be not the Rubicon, but the Styx.

Gerald Kaufman

Caught in the Act of giving grants

Quite rightly, Sir Donald Kaberry, the chairman of House of Commons Standing Committee D, told me that I was out of order in seeking to pursue a constitutional point while we were debating the sittings motion. This motion simply authorizes the committee to meet at 10.30 am on Tuesdays and Thursdays. However, while MPs were discussing it, we stumbled into a major matter of substance whose implications are much more substantial than the scope of the legislation under consideration.

The Local Authorities (Expenditure Powers) Bill is, by any standards, a minor measure. Forty-one lines long and consisting of two clauses, it aims simply at putting right one of the innumerable mistakes to which the Department of the Environment is victim. The Government has launched an urban development grants programme, aimed at assisting local authorities to promote employment in their areas. Embarrassingly, however, the Secretary of State, Mr Tom King, discovered that although there was no doubt about his powers to pay the relevant moneys to the local councils, there was considerable doubt about the legality of the councils passing on that money as grants to businessmen.

Accordingly, this little Bill was introduced, as Mr King put it, to "clarify" the situation. In the *Lexicon of King's English* which I shall shortly be issuing for general edification, "clarify" will be defined as: "To seek to put right in a hurry legal provisions which are faulty because they themselves were rushed through Parliament without *proper consideration.*"

Sadly, however, it has done no such thing. In fact, after a week of committee debate, the position, far from being clarified, is more confused than ever. Certainly, relevant grants by local authorities will be lawful if made after the Bill is enacted. The trouble is that councils may have made such grants before the Royal Assent is obtained. Sir George Young, the Under-Secretary, told the committee that "the schemes are proceeding" and that they are safe to do so because "the Bill gives cover to local government expenditure in the financial year 1983-84".

Unfortunately, no Bill can give cover to anything. Only an Act can do that; and this Bill will not become an Act until the middle of next month at earliest. Six weeks of the financial year will have elapsed, in which time the schemes will have proceeded – but without the protection of the indemnifying Act.

When the Under-Secretary was asked what he intended to do about that problem, he soothingly assured us that, really, nobody needed to worry at all. Even if there was some doubt about the legality of local authorities' grant-making powers during this penumbral period, the Secretary of State could issue a certificate which would remove the ability of the district auditor to pounce.

Have the councils, then, heaved a sigh of relief and agreed that everything is now all right? Far from it. The auditor is not their only problem. If they have been making payments during the period before the Bill becomes law, they are still liable to legal action by, say, a businessman who is not getting a grant and fears that he may be undermined by a grant-aided competitor; and the Secretary of State has no power to issue a certificate preventing such litigation.

So the local authorities, who asked for this Bill because they felt the previous legislation was defective, now find that this indemnifying legislation, even before it is enacted, may be defective as well. We, as a benevolent and public-spirited Opposition, are seeking to put matters right by tabling amendments to the Bill which, by rendering its provisions retrospective, will provide genuine cover to payments made before enactment. The Government, at last having got this new problem into its thick head, is considering how best to react without being compelled to admit that it has made an even bigger mess of things than usual.

Incompetence by Environment Secretaries in this government is not, however, the constitutional point which Sir Donald most properly prevented me from discussing on the sittings motion. The issue is much more profound than that. In Standing Committee D we are reminding the Government that in our democracy no statement by ministers has of itself the force of law. It is no good the Secretary of State emolliently telling councils that they are secure just because he says they are; they know better. They know their only protection is an Act of Parliament so drafted that it covers every contingency in which they may be at risk.

This may be boring for the Government, even irksome. It is, however, very healthy that a small and unassuming measure such as this can remind ministers that what they say is of no consequence just because they say it. Their words have force only if they are uttered in accordance with statutes endowed with authority by our sovereign Parliament.

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David Watts, in the first of a series, reports on the rag-tag army fighting communist insurgents in the Philippines

Purging the peasants as if Vietnam had never been

Davao, Mindanao

Torches bobbing in the darkness, four boys walked through the tropical night. From the roadside came a stream of machine gun fire. One was killed immediately. The three others lay wounded.

As a jeep pulled up to help them, the gunmen waved the driver away. "We'll take them to hospital", they said. But they never got there. The following day their bodies were found stabbed to death after a night in a "safe house" used by the Philippine Constabulary. The boys had been out frog hunting.

Soon after, the agent alleged to have led the killers shot three men in broad daylight in front of a school in the provincial town of Tagum. After representations he was reluctantly arrested, only to be released within two weeks.

Nasario Lasaca was already a convicted murderer when he joined the paramilitary intelligence ranks of the constabulary. He was recruited in the war against the communist New People's Army (NPA), and he is one of the reasons why the Philippines is the only country in Asia where communist insurgents are gaining ground.

Lasaca's methods are repeated all over the Philippines. Wherever the communists are active, civilians are "borrowed" or "salvaged", in Filipino terminology by the military. They are never seen alive again.

The Government's proclivity for using men like Lasaca, who kill, torture and maim, and then decline to discipline them, is convincing the hard-pressed people of Mindanao that they cannot expect justice from the local military and government. The threat from the NPA seems to have convinced some police and paramilitary units that anything is justified in maintaining law and order and rolling back the insurgents.

In a gruelling, rainless summer, the burned red-brown hills of Mindanao, long stripped of timber, typify the exhausting problems of the whole country. The rains will come in the next month or so, but relief from oppressive one-man rule and economic policies which disproportionately benefit the multinationals and the Manila elite is nowhere in sight.

Falling world prices for its principal exports – coconut oil, sugar, fruit and minerals – over the past few years have left the government on the defensive.



A gun-toting Filipino woman who is a member of the rag-tag anti-communist forces

Mindanao sees a concentration of the effect of Manila's unwillingness *to rein in some of its more corrupt* elements and its concentration on development of a kind which pays little heed to local needs. Earlier this year, nine battalions of troops were brought in to fight the NPA.

Regular units, notably the marines, have earned a good reputation with the local people for correct behaviour. When one marine unit prepared to pull out of a provincial town *recently the mayor* begged them to remain and burst into tears at the thought of being left to the mercies of the Constabulary and the undisciplined Civilian Home Defence Force, a rag-tag force recruited from local Barrios armed with American M16s.

"The Constabulary is being used to run the country, and is thoroughly corrupt," a priest told me. "They are not innocent of this in Manila. It goes to the highest levels of the government".

The people have nowhere to seek redress except the church or the NPA. In the Davao area, representations to the church rarely get top-level attention: the bishops prefer to keep their links with the rich and politically influential.

When a priest asked his bishop to take up the case of three young people detained as NPA suspects and tortured for three days, the bishop quickly changed the subject.

"The church has a very high social standing in the Philippines," said *the priest. "Church men move at* two greatly different levels, at the top end of society and at the very bottom. They have the opportunity to do good, and also to be corrupted."

In contrast, the NPA has a reputation for an austere morality and for removing corrupt officials, if only by assassination. A civilian official normally gets at least one *warning and the opportunity to* mend his ways before the killer squad moves in. Last Monday an execution squad was waiting for the manager of a large banana plantation with a reputation for exploiting his workers. The operation was betrayed and the squad withdrew after an exchange of fire. But it will be back.

The operation was apparently at the instigation of a young NPA official who took a job on the plantation simply to mobilize its workforce. At 28 he is indistinguishable from the other young Filipinos in jeans and T-shirts on the plantation. Only his language and the occasional hardening of his bright, dark eyes hint at the years of guerrilla activity behind him.

He says of the plantation manager: "He has been responsible for five 'salvagings' since 1980. He is a bad man and he has influence with the military around here. Armed struggle is the last resort for us, but we use arms only against the manipulators".

Ironically, the NPA man learned fundamental western rights from an American teacher; for seven years from 1971 he was a guerrilla in the hills before taking up political duties. He is engaged and is buying a house with a bank loan, but sees nothing inconsistent in that. "Filipino-style communism", as he calls it, "has a little bit from Mao and a little bit from Marx.". He insists that the NPA is largely self-sufficient, acquiring most of its weapons from the armed forces, but receiving some financial aid from "friendly nations". The NPA is at the start of a three-year build-up of military pressure in the south.

At any one time there are thought to be about 7,500 guerrillas under arms throughout the country, about 1,300 of them in Mindanao.

Support for them is often through fear. They have to live off the people, even collecting their own taxes, and can offer little except some hope for the peasants that one day things will get better. The guerrillas seldom last more than five years; then either disease or a bullet gets them. That has not deterred dozens of well-educated university graduates from joining their ranks. In Mindanao, the communists do not have to search for rallying issues: most are created for them by low wages and government policies which force more and more peasants off their lands in favour of agri-business interests.

The military tackles the war as though Vietnam had never been. Thousands of peasants have been moved from their farms to "strategic" villages in the hope that this will deprive the NPA of support and protect the people. The villagers hate the military for it. Anyone who does not agree to the transfer is branded as an NPA supporter and his house is burned down.

The farmers, used to plenty of space, now find themselves jammed next to their neighbours, their rudimentary hygiene spreading disease in such a close community. In one hamlet 200 children died of disease in a week. Farmers must walk miles to their plots in the morning and return before the curfew at dusk.

In other areas in south-east Mindanao, land coveted by the big corporations has recently seen a big increase in military operations. The soldiers are there ostensibly to protect plantations and other investments from the NPA. But to many it looks as though the army is intent on clearing out the people to enable mining or timber companies, under presidential powers, to take over the land. The landless become potential recruits for the NPA.

The government persists in trying *to tackle fundamental* socio-economic problems through military means, and the military, judging by recent operations in the north of the island, is intent on treating the people as guilty of being NPA sympathizers until proved innocent.

In one recent sweep through three hamlets, the army so terrorized the population that 200 families fled. Hearts and minds will never be salvaged this way.

Tomorrow: The Government's relationship with the Roman Catholic Church.

Charles McKean

Denmark Hill for the salvation line

Straddling the south London railway, Denmark Hill station was a glorious 1866 vintage Tuscan palazzo. As such, it was part of British Rail's inconvenient heritage in a part of London where heritage is not the first concern of the inhabitants.

The first concern – after unemployment, blight and lack of housing – lies just across the road from the station, sternly fronted by the commanding statues of General and Mrs Booth *frozen in full flight*: it is the Salvation Army training headquarters. The second concern is King's College Hospital and the Maudsley, spreading inexorably like a tumour through this part of the metropolis. The third is Nunhead cemetery, a few moments along the line.

In the early 1970s, Denmark Hill station retained considerable vestiges of its former glory. The booking hall was a veritable palace; there was fine ironwork, brickwork, glazed arcades, a good booking office, a stationer's shop, a grand, long-case clock, and some original timber filigree work. Little by little, British Rail let it go. The clock stopped, and then vanished; the stationers closed; the timberwork remained unpainted and rotted; some was sawn off; broken windows were sealed with hardboard; rubbish collected on the embankment, and puddles on the platform.

Day by day commuters witnessed the accelerating consequences of neglect. By 1976, the station's condition had reached such a state that it was selected to represent London in the national *Facelift* competition organized by *The Architect* magazine (now defunct).

One entry, by Tom Jestice, extrapolated from the hill-palace nature of the station, and proposed statues, a fountain, cypress trees, pedimented station signs, and a painted Sistine-chapel roof beneath the road bridge which passes over the platform – all at least two years before such ideas became accepted as mainstream post modernism (and *he only meant it as a jeu d'esprit*).

Despite considerable public interest, there was no response from British Rail. They had relegated Denmark Hill to eventual replacement, to the steel and glass boxes that pass for stations in Maze Hill and Streatham.

Indeed, the underlying policy had been clearly stated by the then Southern Region general manager in his contribution to *Railway Stations of the Southern Region*: "the complete reconstruction with modern methods and materials is the only way to get rid of a picture of an outdated form of transport in the public's mind".

A godsend for British Rail arrived one night in March 1980 when an arsonist burnt out the roof of the booking *hall. Enter British Rail*, hastily, with gangs of workmen to make things safe and by doing so demolishing far more than the arsonist, destroying spectacular carved stonework and patterned brickwork, and the upper parts of the walls. The rump was sealed off, clearly destined for a journey to the goods yard in the sky.

The Camberwell Society, on being told by a BR public relations spokesman that they should, instead of complaining, "put their money where their mouths are" to pay for the difference between a modern station and the restoration of the old, promenaded the streets collecting money.

They opened an appeal which raised £4,000 from local people. Jeremy Bennett, the society's chairman, aided by Jack Jones (former TGWU general secretary) and Terry Jones (former Monty Python) then handed the operation over to the Southwark Environment Trust, which would become the agent in further restoration, together with the cheque for £4,000 duly blessed by Sir John Betjeman.

Enter Sir Peter Parker, with an environmental panel from BR. Perhaps the local initiative could extricate BR, quite literally, from a hole, by taking on responsibility for the station building. Negotiations took a year, at the end of which the Southwark Environment Trust had an option of a 40-year lease on the building, a beneficial occupier, and an interesting pattern of financial contributions: £34,000 raised by itself through collections and private charities; £56,000 from the Historic Buildings Council for the restoration of a listed building; £20,000 from the GLC; and a grant from British Rail to match the total pound for pound (probably still cheaper for BR than the costs of demolition and rebuilding).

The proposed use for the building is a real ale pub with beer brewed on the premises. The locals are enthusiastic since the building is being restored with a community use.

Most importantly, the laborious ground work undertaken by the Camberwell Society should make it easier for similar organizations to do the same elsewhere. For once British Rail had grasped the concept of leasing out, its staff proved particularly helpful. On the other hand, not every community is blessed with former trade union general secretaries or Monty Pythons, so they will have to rely on this case as a precedent.

Unfortunately, not every station building for which British Rail has little affection can be so easily isolated and re-used.

On Saturday the Civic Trust presented the Camberwell Society with its Pride of Place commendation for their efforts to save the station, at a ceremony – complete with real ale – in the station itself. In two weeks, Bovis begins the restoration work. It could be the start of a new era for our railway heritage.

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FIRMNESS PAYS AT COWLEY

The return of industrial strife to the Cowley factory of British Leyland was taken in many quarters as the most convincing evidence yet that the economy was truly on the mend. Within weeks of the company launching a car with great sales potential, the Maestro, and being for the first time in some years in a position to promise its workers not retrenchment and cutbacks, but production bonuses and secure jobs, 5,000 of that same workforce went on strike and brought the plant to a standstill.

Four weeks later the two aspects of the dispute which stand out most are its apparent triviality, and the obvious bitterness and resentment that many of the strikers feel towards BL.

Now, with the prospects of a return to work brighter than at any time since the strike began, thanks to a night of hard bargaining between the management and the leaders of the two main unions involved, Mr Terry Duffy of the engineers and Mr Moss Evans of the Transport and General Workers, the question is whether that bitterness will force a continuation of the strike, or whether the proposed settlement will allow more normal industrial relations procedures to reassert themselves.

But first, how does the settlement deal with the seemingly trivial issue which provoked the strike – the desire by the management to make all its employees work "bell to bell" and so to abolish the established practice whereby they all clocked off a few minutes early at the end of each shift?

Here the company has gained a victory. It seems to have persuaded the union leaders that it is not going to withdraw its demand, that all its employees must work for the full time for which they are paid. So it should be in a position to secure a further increase in output, which on the company's figures is equivalent to a hundred more cars a week, worth an extra £25 million a year. Moreover, the company can fairly claim to have demonstrated its willingness to stand firm and to face a potentially crippling strike at a time when it would have been all too easy for it to return to the practice of the 1960s, when strikes were simply bought off in order to keep the production lines moving. It has therefore given its answer to many who believed that the determination of management to manage would crumble once the unions reasserted themselves and were no longer cowed by the threat of unemployment.

But if this strike at Cowley is a symptom of a much deeper discontent – and this seems to be the case – then dealing with the symptom cannot count as a total victory, unless there is a parallel attack on the basic disease.

Here too there appears to have been a change, a concession by management which, though outwardly not significant, is enough of a breakthrough for the union leaders to feel that they too have some honour from the proposed peace. What management has agreed to is the creation of a joint committee which will examine the state of industrial relations in the plant with the specific purpose of finding out what has gone wrong at the plant. This should in union eyes at least provide the key for a less autocratic style of management – a shift away from the take it or leave it approach, personified by Sir Michael Edwardes, in favour of consultation and agreement.

Whether or not this is desirable depends on whether both sides can be trusted. Management must not use it as an excuse for weakness; unions must refrain from being mindlessly obstructive. And it has to be said that the precedents on both sides have not always been encouraging.

That said, it is surely in the interests of both sides to try to move forward along this path so that the resolution of this conflict does not merely fertilize the seeds of the next one. Management seems to understand this, as indeed do the trade union leaders. They still have to persuade the shop stewards and the strikers themselves. But if the shop floor does indeed want job security coupled with a greater degree of harmony than existed before, then the settlement holds out that promise – provided both sides are prepared to work at it. On that basis the men should accept the settlement, and they probably will.

SOUTHERN EUROPE TURNS PALE PINK

April 25 in Lisbon: the day of the red carnations, when the young officers of the Armed Forces Movement overthrew the half-century-old dictatorship, opening the way to independence for Portugal's African colonies and to democracy for Portugal itself. How long ago that seems. Today is in fact the ninth anniversary and the Portuguese are voting again, but the novelty and excitement of it have long since worn off.

Democracy is not mainly to blame for economic troubles which Portugal shares with the rest of the world. But elected governments have not been notably successful in managing those troubles. The expected victory of Dr Mario Soares's Socialist party in today's poll will not, if it is confirmed, be a sign of renewed confidence in proposals for social betterment through democratic change. The electorate will be calling back to power a man and a party who have failed before (in 1976-78), for little better reason than that things have now got even worse under their opponents.

The Democratic Alliance, in power since 1979, has been steadily disintegrating since the tragic death of its leader, Dr Francisco Sá Carneiro, in the air crash of December 4, 1980. Its situation has been compared to that of Spain's Centre Democratic Union which collapsed last year while still in office, and was kept alive on a kind of political respirator just long enough for Señor González's Socialists to win the election. Both were governments of the centre-right which had responded well enough to the political requirements of a particular moment in their country's history, but possessed neither a coherent ideology nor an organized base in the country. Both lost all cohesion and credibility once separated from their founder-leader (in the Spanish case Señor Adolfo Suárez who was forced to resign in 1981).

There are differences, though. In Spain the UCD had governed continuously since the first post-Franco elections. The Socialists were a new, untried force, still carrying with them a great many hopes for change even though they were careful to campaign on a very moderate programme. Also, Spain's weighted system of proportional representation made it relatively easy for them to win an overall parliamentary majority. Dr Soares in Portugal has little hope of achieving that, and has said that even if he did he would prefer not to govern alone. His electoral platform consists almost entirely of warnings about the gravity of the country's economic position and the years of austerity that lie ahead.

The most probable outcome seems to be a centre coalition led by the Socialists and joined as junior partner by the Social Democrats, the leading party in the outgoing Government. But the Social Democrats are in such disarray that it may take them a month or more to decide whether to join such a coalition and, if so, under what leader. The election, in short, may well solve very little.

The same is true of the early general election which the Italian Socialists seem intent on forcing in their country, despite the opposition of their own elder statesman, President Pertini. Their leader, Signor Bettino Craxi, has pronounced a death sentence on the Government of Signor Fanfani, which is less than five months old, without saying clearly either what is wrong with it or with what kind of government he would like to replace it. He hopes, evidently, to benefit from the tide that has brought gains to Socialist parties throughout Southern Europe – ironically at a time when the French Socialist Government, which started the trend, is already floundering in grave economic difficulties.

A BLEAK ANNIVERSARY

Soviet plans to enforce "celebration" parades in Kabul on Wednesday to mark the revolution five years ago which installed a pro-Soviet Marxist regime are threatened by Afghan insurgents. The occupation forces in Afghanistan have again been reinforced and are now striking at insurgent positions in regions around Herat in the north-west. Heavy fighting is also reported near the Afghan-Soviet frontier, and earlier this month three guerrilla factions, formerly bitter rivals unable to cooperate, joined forces to ambush a Soviet military convoy. The cost to the USSR in casualties and resources is growing.

But despite the involvement of the United Nations Organization in the quest for a political solution, there is no indication that Mr Andropov wishes to reverse the policy of his predecessor. For all the opprobrium of world public opinion, the USSR now has troops only a few hundred miles from the Indian Ocean, and is in a strong position to influence the course of events in neighbouring Iran and Pakistan at a time of internal crisis.

Five years of leftist and Marxist-Leninist rule might have brought some progress to backward Afghanistan. The *coup d'etat* which overthrew President Daud on April 27, 1978 installed a coalition government opposed to "feudalism". It banned forced marriages – and any marriage of a girl not yet sixteen. The crushing debts of the poorest peasants were cancelled, and usury was abolished. Much-needed agrarian reforms were promised.

Within months the Khalq party ousted its Parcham rivals and took sole control. Attempts at progressive reforms continued, with women gaining full legal rights, for example. But trying to implement agrarian reform by crude restrictions on individual land holdings showed a complete lack of understanding for the complexities of Afghan peasant farming. The population was further alienated from the regime by the thousands of Soviet "advisers" in Afghanistan, with their colonialist attitudes and determination to install the same Soviet "civilization" enforced in the 1920s in the neighbouring Muslim lands of the USSR.

The "white man's burden" was an acceptable attitude for many enlightened people in the last century, but even then the Russian Empire was not an attractive example of imperialism. The present Soviet version would be particularly repugnant in a devout Muslim country, even if it were not being imposed by force of arms. The thousands of casualties inflicted during operations against the insurgents and in atrocities against village populations, have instilled in Afghans a hostility against the USSR which will live for generations even after the fighting stops.

The Soviet invasion of December 1979 certainly ensured that the Kabul regime would remain an obedient Soviet puppet. But it could not put an end to the vicious factional strife among the Afghan Marxist-Leninists, and it certainly guaranteed that in the minds of most Afghans the regime was damned as the mouthpiece of a hated alien invader. Material progress for the population is clearly impossible while Moscow continues with its colonialist war.

Suggestions that a change of policy would follow when Mr Andropov succeeded Brezhnev have proved premature. There has been a tendency in the West to exaggerate "indications" such as the increased reporting in the generally reticent Soviet press of casualties suffered by Soviet troops in battle with the insurgents. In fact some of the cases recently given prominence in Moscow newspapers were actually the same "heroic deaths" reported months before for propaganda reasons in the local Soviet press.

The governments of the West and the non-aligned countries must redouble their efforts to persuade the Soviet leaders that much more is to be gained by withdrawing their forces than by reinforcing them. No doubt Mr Malcolm Rifkind will be stressing this message on behalf of Britain in Moscow today at the beginning of his official visit.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Motive for attending Prague conference

From the Chairman of the National Peace Council

Sir, Your leader, "The peace of Prague" (April 21), was unworthy and a confirmation that disagreement on important issues has given way to enmity of spirit which vitiates mutual understanding and conciliation. I do not refer to your remarks on the World Peace Council but to those directed at "people concerned with day to day management of the CND", one of our member organizations.

To assume malign intent or manipulative wizardry is somewhat presumptuous (although bandwagon-jumping is not unknown) particularly by those whose own political preferences do not encompass an urgent or constructive approach to disarmament issues.

A phenomenon like CND might be expected to provoke curiosity and sober analysis rather than damnation but even quite reputable critics, such as the Bow Group, have failed to see the openness of the peace movement to get hold of the real facts, on which credible opinion should be based.

For anyone who knows people like Joan Ruddock or Bruce Kent, or who has witnessed the dedicated energy of their colleagues, the insinuations and attacks on their integrity are incomprehensible and deeply disillusioning. They serve a popular and growing movement which is not susceptible to manipulation or anything resembling the discipline of the political parties.

The peace movement is not interested in "one-sided disarmament". It is interested in initiatives which would start the disarmament process moving after 35 years of fruitless multilateral negotiations. Joan Ruddock surely has a point when she criticizes the Government's record. Certainly international tension and conflict has not noticeably diminished and armaments have increased in both numbers and sophistication throughout the world without cease since 1950.

Had we been invited we would have given serious consideration to sending an observer to Prague as we did to the World Peace Council's conference in Warsaw in 1977. This would have been in the context of having a more vigorous presence at the European Nuclear Disarmament conference in Berlin next month which has drawn vitriolic condemnation from the Soviet Peace Committee.

This body, like so many commentators here, has failed to comprehend the nature of the non-aligned and independent peace movement and its concern for harassed counterparts in Eastern Europe. But if politicians from opposing parties have to collaborate to make our system work, and if governments with diametrically opposed philosophies striving towards military superiority can still maintain diplomatic links and jointly run international agencies, who is to suggest that it is improper or worse for non-governmental organizations to seek contact with and information from the peoples and institutions who share our common interest in averting nuclear war?

Peace is too important to be left to only governments. Official peace committees and the World Peace Council being what they are, those who go to Prague should be capable of distinguishing between government-inspired messages and the fruits of dialogue with real people. There are also some harsh truths which need transmission. Not to try would be irresponsible.

Yours faithfully,
TONY SMYTHE, Chairman,
National Peace Council,
29 Great James Street, WC1.
April 22.

From Mr Ray Whitney, MP for Wycombe (Conservative)

Sir, Bruce Kent is quick to protest (April 22) that the issue of CND's attendance at the World Peace Council's forthcoming jamboree in Prague is not quite as simple as it was made out to be in your leading article of April 21.

I fear it is Mr Kent's own approach which is dangerously simplistic. He justifies cooperation with Moscow's "peace" apparatus on the grounds that CND supports organisations disliked by the Russians. So what? He himself presumably supports the Roman Catholic Church and parliamentary democracy, both disliked in Moscow. Hence his special value on a communist platform decked out with every non-communist banner that Moscow can muster.

Even if Mr Kent cannot understand what a scoop his presence in Prague will represent for the WPC, I am sure it was a point fully appreciated by the hard left which now has such a significant presence within the mysterious inner councils of CND.

Certainly Mr Kent is right to emphasise that we must continue to try to communicate with the Soviets, but he and his colleagues should understand that the World Peace Council is an instrument of one-way propaganda rather than two-way communication. Together with a group of parliamentary colleagues, I attempted yesterday to communicate with the Soviet delegation now in London to participate in the Anglo-Soviet round table discussions.

The very hard line taken by Academician Tikhvinski and his team would surely have convinced all but the most starry-eyed or purblind CND supporter that peace can only be preserved by serious and responsible negotiation rather than by participation in Soviet propaganda *fests* and *one-sided Western disarmament*.

Sincerely,
RAY WHITNEY,
House of Commons.
April 22.

Thieves abroad

From Frau Reinhard Marks

Sir, A note of warning should be sounded not only to Britons planning to visit Seville (letter, April 16) but also to diplomats having to live in London. The town seems infested with thieves, who prey on foreigners.

On April 9, when I returned from a visit to the local library in the afternoon, thieves had visited our small, fully furnished, fully serviced flat in London, SW1. The doors were locked as I had left them and there seemed to be complete knowledge of where to find things.

All my jewellery, was stolen, my money, my diplomatic passport, my bank cheques and savings book, my luggage keys, my alarm clock, crocodile handbag, cassette recorder with all cassettes, radio, wedding ring and my husband's silver Parker pen. He visited a sauna that fateful afternoon. Nothing was searched or gone through!

Having been round the world over the past 27 years I had to come to the freest, most civilised country in the world to have this revolting and deeply hurtful experience.

Feeling absolutely frightened and insecure my stay in London, to which I had looked forward with great joy and expectation, has been spoiled. The police, just like the police in Seville, seem powerless to control and stop the thieves which are round and about London town.

Sincerely,
CORONA MARKS,
Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany,
Belgrave Square, SW1.
April 7.

Trade with Japan

From Mr James Y. Bourlet

Sir, In dealing with Japan, British interests differ greatly from those of other EEC members.

Primarily, this arises because Britain's "comparative advantage" lies in "invisibles", whilst that of Germany and the other members lies in manufactures. Strong "invisible" exports from Britain to Japan result in an overall surplus on current account, year after year – in 1981 nearly $2bn. Other leading Commonwealth countries, though for different reasons, also run surpluses with Japan – Canada nearly three quarters of a billion dollars in 1981 and Australia/New Zealand a similar sum.

In contrast, the rest of the EEC runs heavy deficits – in particular, Germany, which Bundesbank figures showed had a current account deficit with Japan in 1981 of $3bn.

The EEC Commission stance here in Tokyo is to emphasize visible trade deficits (arguing for Japanese export restraints, higher prices in Europe and increased penetration for manufactures into Japan) and completely ignore "invisibles". Correspondingly, one can observe a major campaign by German exporting companies in Japan – everywhere one now sees BMWs, Mercedes and VWs – and German wine is available in all "off licences". German exports to Japan increased dramatically during 1982.

One result of this is that German-Japanese industrial links are being greatly strengthened; witness the rapidly increasing direct investment by Japanese companies in Germany and the dramatic fall in the proportion of Japanese-EEC investment coming to Britain – down to only 12 per cent in 1981. Another result is that Japan will take steps to reduce "invisible" imports, perhaps by deliberately "assisting" shipping and insurance, etc.

Britain *must* state her own requirements independently in Tokyo. The Japanese are perfectly willing to oblige (as they did in limiting car shipments) and "bargaining weight" by the EEC is laughably irrelevant.

For British ministers to leave such trade negotiations in the hands of the EEC, resulting in wrong policy decisions (for example over video cassette recorders) suggests a disinterest in British interests bordering on negligence!

Yours faithfully,
JAMES Y. BOURLET,
Faculty of Commerce,
15-45 Mita 2-chome,
Minato-ku,
Tokyo 108,
Japan.
April 8.

From the Director of the Anglo-Japanese Economic Institute

Sir, Mr Norman MacLeod's letter (March 16) on the United Kingdom's invisibles surplus with Japan reminds me that the British side has never seen eye to eye with the Japanese on this subject. This institute tried in vain for years to secure British figures to set against those produced annually by the Bank of Japan, so we always published the Japanese version and *the British* went by default.

Eventually the United Kingdom side talked of "differences in the ways Japan and the United Kingdom collect and assess their statistics" and gave figures falling far short of the Japanese estimates: and now Mr MacLeod says Japan's method "greatly exaggerates the surplus".

But the Bank of Japan's details – like Britain's, I presume, and other nations' – are compiled in accordance with the International Monetary Fund's Balance of Payments Manual. *The British Committee on* Invisible Exports, in surveying world invisible trade, seems perfectly happy to quote IMF sources in relation to Japan and Britain.

I do hope Japanese experts won't start calling British figures "greatly exaggerated" or "misleading".

Yours faithfully,
REGINALD CUDLIPP, Director,
Anglo-Japanese Economic Institute,
342/6 Grand Buildings,
Trafalgar Square, WC2.
April 7.

Tempting myth of party manifestos

From Lord Alport

Sir, As all political parties are in the process of producing their manifestos for the next election, it is an appropriate moment to try to dispose of the myth of the manifesto.

The manifesto of any party is at best a statement of its aspirations in the event of its being returned to power and at worst an attempt to fool most of the people most of the time. It is not a commitment to any *detailed policies, nor does it entitle a* future government to carry out every item in its manifesto regardless of current public opinion of the changing character of the national interest. No party – and least of all a party in opposition – can foresee the practicalities of power for a year, let *alone five years, ahead.*

The myth of the manifesto was given some substance – strangely enough – by the late Lord Salisbury's doctrine that the Conservative majority in the House of Lords would not oppose in principle any legislation coming to it from a *Labour* government with a majority in the House of Commons, provided that the measure had been embodied in its election manifesto.

I suspect that Lord Salisbury was more concerned for the continuation of a scond Chamber in the British Parliament than he was with constitutional proprieties.

When the electors of this country vote at an election they do so, not *because they necessarily agree with* or have even read all the small print of the party manifestos, but because in their judgment the time has come either to get rid of the present government or to give it a few more years of power.

Those who give a party a majority at an election – the so-called floating voters – are influenced by the previous government's record, the personalities of the various parties, both national and local, and an instinct as to where the public and their private interests lie.

It would be a pity if the late Lord Salisbury's brilliant essay in constitutional pragmatism were thought to justify successive governments in giving effect to every detail in their election manifestos. After all, we know that there is always a temptation to try *to fool some of the people some of* the time.

Yours faithfully,
ALPORT,
House of Lords.
April 19.

Minister and shares

From Lord Cockfield

Sir, In the House of Commons on March 30 Mr Dennis Canavan, MP, sought to introduce a Bill to prevent any takeover of Anderson Strathclyde plc by Charter Consolidated. In the course of his speech he suggested in the clearest terms that my public denial that I had abused my position as a member of the Cabinet and of the Government by dealing in the shares of a company which was seeking to take over Anderson Strathclyde was untrue. I need not emphasize the gravity of this allegation. It is without a scintilla of justification.

The facts are that on November 6, 1974, four and a half years before I became a minister and seven and a half years before I became Secretary of State, I added to my small portfolio of Stock Exchange holdings 2,500 shares in Charter Consolidated. I have retained these shares in unchanged beneficial ownership since that date and retain them still.

On April 6, 1982, I was appointed Secretary of State for Trade. On April 9, 1982, I requested my bankers to arrange the transfer of all the shares I owned into their name. The transfer was duly carried out and all my shares are now held in the bank's name.

So far as the Charter Consolidated affair was concerned, I decided that *even though my small shareholding* represented only 0.0025 per cent of Charter Consolidated (ridiculously referred to by Mr Canavan as my "vested interest") I should take no part in the decision on the reference and I have played no part in it. I have neither been consulted nor expressed any view about any official decision relating to it.

Mr Canavan apparently observed that the entry in the company's register relating to the shares in my own name had been closed. He failed to note that the same shares were held in uninterrupted ownership by a nominee so that there had in fact been no dealings of any kind with my shares on my behalf.

Yours faithfully,
COCKFIELD,
House of Lords.
April 21.

Aid to Third World

From the Director of Voluntary Service Overseas

Sir, We were interested to read Professors Bauer's and Yamey's views on aid and development published in Monday's issue of *The Times* last week (April 11). Their assertions that "aid cannot significantly promote Third World development nor relieve poverty" will surprise the villagers of Abora Patoako in Ghana, who have increased their own food supplies through initially using the skills of a VSO agriculturist; and the Eritrean refugees who have requested training by a VSO mobile building unit so that they can construct their own schools and health centres in the South Sudan; and the Nepali weavers who are expanding their markets and increasing their sales with the assistance of VSO volunteer, Pam McLauchlan; and the many millions of other people throughout the Third World who are increasing their own self-reliance and capacity for self determination with technical cooperation from western development agencies.

Western aid has been an indispensable part of the means through which the people of the Abora cooperative, the Showak building unit, Dhankuta village industries and many more community initiatives throughout the Third World have achieved some economic and social progress for themselves. And because these projects exist, others of the poorer people in many parts of the world have some hope for a better future.

Aid *is* effective if channelled in the right direction. The people of Abora, and Showak, and Dhankuta will tell the learned professors so.

Yours faithfully,
FRANK JUDD, Director,
Voluntary Service Overseas,
9 Belgrave Square, SW1.
April 15.

Endangered species ?

From Mr Christopher Ward

Sir, As Fleet Street is never at its most accurate when reporting its own affairs, I would be obliged if I could correct errors in various reports about my recent departure from the *Daily Express*.

I was not dismissed. I would still be editor today if I had accepted Lord Matthews's proposal to appoint Sir Larry Lamb as editor-in-chief. Lord Matthews envisaged a successful partnership between Sir Larry and myself. I saw the appointment as an unacceptable erosion of the editor's authority, a recipe for internal anarchy and a dangerous precedent for all editors. I was not willing to stay on and edit in those circumstances and consequently Sir Larry was appointed editor instead of editor-in-chief.

Reports of a pay-off totalling £160,000 are, unfortunately, an exaggeration; my farewell wasn't tearful, it was cheerful; my grandfather, not my uncle, drowned on the Titanic and he played the violin, not the clarinet, in the ship's orchestra; I didn't tell my staff, or anyone else, that *April 15* was an unlucky date for my family – it wasn't until I read *The Times* next day that I was even aware of the "coincidence" of losing my job on the anniversary of the sinking of the Titanic.

I am not re-joining the *Daily Mirror*, as the current issue of the *Spectator* confidently states. I am enjoying a well-earned rest before deciding what to do next.

Incidentally, *Daily Express* editors are not the endangered species Lord Cudlipp suggests in his amusing letter to you last Friday. History shows that *Express* editors, when dislodged from their nest, flap their wings and soar off to new habitats where they thrive.

Mr Robert Edwards, Mr Roger Wood and Mr Derek Jameson all became successful editors of other newspapers and remain so today. Mr Alastair Burnet is a distinguished television news presenter. Indeed, the experience of fighting off predators at the *Express* only sharpens the survival instinct and *enables us to adapt to any terrain or* climate.

Yours faithfully,
CHRISTOPHER WARD,
43 St Maur Road, SW6.
April 24.

In camera

From Mr H. Justin Evans

Sir, In 1957, with a colleague, I gave evidence to a select committee of the House of Commons as a representative of a national voluntary body. I am aghast at the suggestion that television cameras might have been allowed *admission to the proceedings.*

Their presence would have radically altered the whole atmosphere of the session at which questions were answered freely and frankly without any inhibiting factor, such as would have been *provided by the presence of* cameras. As the whole of the oral evidence was published verbatim in the committee's report, it is difficult to see what public interest would have been served by the measure proposed yesterday in the House of Commons.

Yours faithfully,
H. JUSTIN EVANS,
Glebe House,
Church Stretton, Shropshire.
April 14.

Sotheby's 'synergy'

From Mr Michael Vallely

Sir, When Geraldine Norman described (April 15) Sotheby's use of the term "synergy" to explain the percieved lack of understanding in the proposal by Mr Cogan and Mr Swid, *she quoted Webster's* definition: "combined action or operation (as of muscles or nerves)".

Perhaps your correspondent underestimates Sotheby's mastery of transatlantic jargon which, she suggests, may be distorting communication between the parties. Professor H. Igor Ansoff, of Vanderbilt University, Nashville, used the word "synergy" to describe "an effect which can produce a combined return on the firm's resources greater than the sum of its parts – frequently referred to as '2+2 = 5'" *(Corporate Strategy,* Pelican, 1981 p75) and accepted usage by, for example, John Argenti and D. E. Hussey.

This is, therefore, apposite in relation to a takeover, merger or developing a new product. Sotheby's, in alleging an absence of synergy, may be giving faint praise.

Yours etc,
MICHAEL VALLELY,
2 Prospect Place,
Holly Walk,
Hampstead Old Village, NW3.



COURT AND SOCIAL

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WINDSOR CASTLE
April 23: The Duke of Edinburgh, President of the Federation Equestre Internationale, left Heathrow Airport, London this morning in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight to attend the Volvo 1983 World Showjumping Cup Finals in Vienna and, as President of World Wildlife Fund International, to attend a meeting with Officials of World Wildlife Fund - Austria.

Mr Brian McGrath is in attendance.

By command of The Queen, the Lord Somerleyton (Lord in Waiting) was present at Heathrow Airport, London this afternoon upon the departure of The Sultan of Oman and bade farewell to His Majesty on behalf of Her Majesty.

April 24: The Duke of Edinburgh, attended by Mr Brian McGrath, arrived at Heathrow Airport, London this evening in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight from Austria.

CLARENCE HOUSE
April 24: A contingent of Queen's Scouts and holders of Scout Gallantry Awards attending the National Scouts' Service in St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle, marched past Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother in the Quadrangle of the Castle this afternoon.

Lady Elizabeth Bassett and Captain the Hon Jeremy Stopford were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester, President, The Ladies' Guild of the St John Ophthalmic Hospital in Jerusalem, was present this evening at a Centenary Concert in the Barbican Centre, presented by the Order of St John Musical Society in aid of the Hospital.

Miss Jean Maxwell-Scott was in attendance.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE
April 23: Princess Alexandra and the Hon Angus Ogilvy were present at the Service of Thanksgiving held this morning in Westminster Abbey to commemorate the 250th Anniversary of the founding of St George's Hospital.

Lady Mary Fitzalan-Howard was in attendance.

Princess Alexandra, Deputy Colonel-in-Chief, The Light Infantry, will be present at a concert given by the Massed Bands and Bugles of The Light Infantry and The Royal Green Jackets, in aid of St Mary's Hospital (Paddington) Medical School Appeal and regimental charities, at the Albert Hall, on June 30.

A memorial service for the Earl of Ancaster will be held at St Margaret's, Westminster, on April 28 at noon.

A memorial service for Lieutenant-General Sir Charles Gairdner, late Colonel of the 10th Royal Hussars, is to be held at the Royal Hospital, Chelsea, at 2.30 pm on Friday, April 29, 1983.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr R. J. Bember and Miss B. L. Ward
The engagement is announced between Roger, son of Mr and Mrs J. E. E. Bamber, of Chorley, Lancashire, and Belinda, daughter of his Honour Judge Martyn Ward, of Colchester, Essex, and Mrs John Loyd, of Barbican, London, EC2.

Mr P. D. Chippindale and Miss S. J. Crawford
The engagement is announced between Peter, eldest son of Mr Keith Chippindale, of Nether Poppleton, York, and Dr Ruth Chippindale, of Harlton, Cambridge, and Sarah Jane, only daughter of Mrs M. B. Crawford and the late Dr G. E. Crawford, of Liverpool.

Mr J. E. Flynn and Miss C. C. Gibson
The engagement is announced between James, eldest son of Mr R. J. Flynn, of Leicester, and Mrs M. R. Flynn, of Thurcaston, Leicestershire, and Catherine, daughter of Mr and Mrs I. G. Gibson, of Stratton, Dorchester, Dorset.

Captain C. Larsen-Burnett and Miss E. C. A. Dodds
The engagement is announced between Carl Larsen-Burnett, Queen's Royal Irish Hussars, son of Mr and Mrs Harry Burnett, of Milnthorpe Lane, Winchester, Hampshire, and Anne, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Dodds, of Tandragee, co Armagh, Northern Ireland.

Mr D. Lyle and Miss L. Ransome
The engagement is announced between Douglas, son of Mr and Mrs Ian Lyle, and Lynne, daughter of Mr and Mrs William Ransome.

Mr J. D. C. Peele and Miss I. M. Newton
The engagement is announced between Jeremy, son of Mrs Vivien Peele and the late Richardson Peele, of Oddington, Gloucester, and Iva, daughter of Dr and Mrs Walter Newton, of Albany, Georgia, USA.

Mr S. Petty and Miss M. L. Jackson
The engagement is announced between Stephen, younger son of Mr and Mrs Edward J. Petty and Mary Louise, daughter of the late Daniel Jackson and of Mrs Elsa Jackson.

Mr C. J. Rowlinson and Miss A. J. Booth
The engagement is announced between John, eldest son of Mr and Mrs N. Rowlinson, of Worleston, Cheshire, and Jane, only daughter of his Honour Judge A. S. Booth, QC, and Mrs Booth, of Wirral, Cheshire.

Mr P. Spencer and Miss C. Moore
The engagement is announced between Peter Spencer, of Guildford, and Caroline Moore, of Guildford.

Mr J. M. Stoll and Miss S. H. Pringle
The engagement is announced between Jonathan, youngest son of Dr and Mrs Lionel J. Stoll, of Hampstead, London, NW3, and Sara, younger daughter of Dr and Mrs A. W. Pringle, of Haddenham, Buckinghamshire.

Marriages

Dr J. Seeley and Dr P Garlick
The marriage took place on Saturday, April 23, 1983, in New York, United States, between Dr John Seeley, only son of Mr and Mrs F. J. Seeley, of Whitley Bay, Northumberland, and Dr Pamela Garlick, daughter of Sir John and Lady Garlick, of Moor Park, Hertfordshire.

Dr N. P Minett and Miss K. M. Lacey
The marriage took place at the Parish Church of Earley St Peter's, Reading, Berkshire, on Saturday, April 23, of Dr Nigel Paul Minett and Miss Kathryn Margaret Lacey. The bride was given in marriage by her father, Mr F. E. Lacey. A reception was held at Sindlesham Mill, Sindlesham.

Luncheon

Prime Minister
The Prime Minister was host at a luncheon held on Friday at 10 Downing Street, in honour of Dr Helmut Kohl, Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany. The other guests were:
Herr Hans-Dietrich Genscher, Dr Gerhard Stoltenberg, Dr Norbert Blüm, Dr Manfred Wörner, the Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany, Herr Jurgen Sudhoff, Dr Klaus Zeller, Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, MP, Mr Francis Pym, MP, Mr Michael Heseltine, MP, Mr Patrick Jenkin, MP, Mr Norman Tebbit, MP, Lord Cockfield, Sir Jock Taylor, Mr Bernard Ingham and Mr John Coles.

Reception

XX The Lancashire Fusiliers
The annual Gallipoli Commemoration Service of the XX The Lancashire Fusiliers was held in the Parish Church, Bury, yesterday and the salute at the marchpast was taken by Colonel I. R. Cartwright, Deputy Colonel (Lancashire) The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers. A reception was held afterwards at the Castle Armoury, Bury. The guests included:
The Lord Lieutenant of Greater Manchester, the Mayors of Bury, Rochdale, Bolton, St Helens and Oldham; Mr Frank White, MP, and the Vice-Chairman of the Greater Manchester Council.

Dinner

Sir Norman Macfarlane
A dinner in honour of Sir Norman Macfarlane was given at the Fine Art Society, Edinburgh, on Saturday. Mr Angus Grossart was in the chair and Dr F. W. G. Deighton and Mr James McIntosh Patrick also spoke. Those present were:
Mr Ronald Alexander, Mr Robert W Begg, Mr Roger Billcliffe, Mr Ewan Brown, Mr Emilio Coia, Mr Charles Cruikshank, Mr John Cunningham, Mr Alan Devereux, Mr J B Devine, Mr Robin Duthie, Sir Robert Fairbairn, Mr Denny Ferguson, Mr Alex Fletcher, MP, Mr James D Goold, Mr James Gordon, Mr W D H Gregson, Mr John McCracken, Mr Robert McEwan, Mr Alan McIlroy, Mr Hamish S Macfarlane, Mr Reo Mackie, Mr Bill Mackie, Mr John Mathieson, Mr David Nickson, Mr Andrew McIntosh Patrick, Sir Robin Philipson, Mr T N Risk, Mr R C Smith, Mr Philip Smyth, Mr Peter Stevenson, Mr Alan Waddell and Mr Charles M Winter.

Service dinners

HMS Hawkins 1942/45
A reunion dinner of HMS Hawkins 1942/45 was held at the Merchant Navy Hotel, London, on Saturday. Captain G. A. French presided.

Light Infantry
Major-General B. M. Lane, Colonel The Light Infantry, presided at the annual officers' dinner held at the Castle Hotel, Taunton, on St George's Day.

The Prince of Wales's Own Regiment of Yorkshire
The regimental dinner of The Prince of Wales's Own Regiment of Yorkshire was held on Saturday at York Racecourse. Major-General H. M. Tillotson, Colonel of the Regiment, presided and the guests were Lieutenant-General Sir Rollo Pain, Colonel 4th/7th Royal Dragoon Guards, and Major-General H. S. R. Watson, Colonel 13th/18th Royal Hussars.

Yorkshire Volunteers
The annual dinner of Officers of the Yorkshire Volunteers was held at Catterick on Saturday. Colonel J. M. Wilson presided. The principal guests were the Lords Lieutenant for West and South Yorkshire, Major-General C. P. R. Palmer, GOC North East District, and Major-General C. R. Huxtable.

Westernizing the Imam

By Clifford Longley, Religious Affairs Correspondent

The Home Office has had great difficulty in deciding exactly who is and who is not an Imam. When a local Muslim community seeks someone to lead its worship in its mosque, more likely than not a converted house or shop, it may prefer to look abroad, to Pakistan, say. But it does not follow that the man they choose will be admitted to Britain.

Turning, no doubt, to the nearest relevant example, the Christian clergyman, immigration officers have assumed that Muslim religious leadership was a profession, and checked for academic qualifications as evidence. There is nothing in Islamic custom that requires an Imam to have such qualifications.

The Home Office can perhaps be credited with raising the education standard of Muslim religious leaders in Britain, by excluding those whose standard was low.

It is an illustration of the impact of Western ways of thought on non-Western ways of life, one of a number of similar factors tending towards the professionalization of Islamic leadership in Britain. As a result a non-clerical religion begins to acquire a clergy.

It is such tendencies and pressures as these that have prompted the attempt, marked by a conference in Wembley which ended yesterday, to set up a national organization of Imams and mosque administrators.

It is, perhaps, a "Western" response, and will be all the more Western as the new European Council of Mosques begins to spawn its inevitable substructure of committees and subcommittees.

If the attempt succeeds, which is not yet beyond doubt, the professionalization of the role of Imam will be further enhanced by the institution of training schemes, including eventually a college for Imams.

Mr Syed Syedain, secretary of the organizing committee which has launched the European Council of Mosques, welcomes the idea of professionalism, including such inevitable details as a clearing house for transferring Imams from one post to another, recruitment of candidates, qualifications endorsed by British universities, and pension fund arrangements.

It is hoped that with a recognized British source for authenticating the status of Imam, difficulties with Home Office immigration rules will disappear.

The British Muslim community has been moving only very gradually towards national coherence and a sense of identity, and various initiatives to speed that up have run into all sorts of difficulties.

The British Muslim world has tended to mirror many of the divisions in the wider Muslim World, but with complications of its own. Indian, Bengali and Pakistani Muslims, who make up a majority and are now a permanent ingredient in the British population, have not been very responsive to Arab attempts to offer them leadership.

The Arab communities in Britain, on the whole better educated but more transient than those from the subcontinent, are divided by what divides them in the Middle East.

There is a Libyan connexion to the new European Council of Mosques, in that the sponsorship of the first conference came from a body based in Tripoli, but support for the idea is in fact more broadly based than that. Jealousy and rivalry, however, are one of the gauntlets that the new organization will have to run.

Lacking a strong sense of unity, this largest of all non-Christian minorities in Britain has had difficulty in knowing precisely what it wanted to do, in response to enormous difficulties – most of all, how to preserve a recognizably Muslim culture with their children exposed to Western education, pop music, television, and general Western moral standards.

Some have dreamt of a kind of Muslim ministate, an oasis within secular Britain where Islamic laws and customs will prevail; others talk of seeking identity as a religious denomination like one of the Christian churches, an influence rather than a way of life.

In pursuit of the former, bodies such as the Union of Muslim Organizations have tried to campaign for recognition in British law of a special status for Muslims, so that issues of divorce and inheritance would be controlled by Islamic institutions under Islamic law.

Akin to that is the demand for an entirely separate system of Muslim education.

But Parliament is never likely to pass laws removing a section of citizens from the jurisdiction of the British legal system; and those behind the new council of mosques seem to recognize that.

They also recognize that most Muslim children will be educated in state schools, and the most they can hope for is a say in the type of religious eduction their children receive. Building up the professional status of the local Imam would help to open school doors to them.

More can be done to adapt Muslim structures so that they make the best of the opportunities that exist. The British legal system is not entirely incompatible with Islamic law; nor is the eduction system incompatible with the essentials of Islamic education.

Exploring that potential is the necessary next stage in the creation of a genuinely British Muslim culture, but it is hard to see it happening without some national representative body leading the effort. Which body it is, only the Muslims themselves can decide.

King's College School, Wimbledon

Summer Term begins today. Mr Hamish Fraser and Mr Charles Rintoul retire at the end of term. The chapel will be dedicated by the Bishop of Southwark on Ascension Day. The school choir will perform Brahms's *Requiem* at Holy Trinity, Sloane Square, on May 14. A reception and dinner for old boys who left the school during or before the 1920s will be held on June 3. Commemoration Day is on June 11, the junior school speech day on July 7 and term ends on July 8.

Monmouth School

Summer Term begins today and ends on Friday, July 8. A G Nicholas continues as head of school and the captain of cricket is to be R S Kear. The new science block will be opened on May 12 by Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon. Half-term will start at 12.20 pm on Friday, May 27, and end on Wednesday, June 1, when boarders return. Speech day will be on Thursday, July 7, when the principal guest will be the Right Reverend G E Reindorp.

The Oratory School

Summer Term begins today. The school captain is S G W Jones. Captain of cricket is A W H Barnes. Open day will be on June 4, followed by half-term until June 8. Term ends on July 8.

Southover Manor, Lewes

Southover Manor School reassembles today for the Summer Term. Half term is from May 28 to June 5. Confirmation is on May 27, conducted by the Bishop of Lewes at Southover Parish Church. Old Girls' Day will be at Southover on June 25 beginning at 11.00 am and term will end with Parents' Day on *July 9.*

Wellingborough School

Trinity Term begins today and ends on Friday, July 8. The new sports hall is to be opened by Lieutenant-General Sir Peter Hudson, Old Wellingburian, on Saturday, July 2, which is also Open Day and Old *Wellingburian Day.*

Birthdays today

Sir Charles Abrahams, 69; Sir George Baker, 73; Mr J. R. Cater, 64; Mr Anthony Christopher, 58; Sir John Clements, 73; Mr Kenneth Davies, 84; Miss Ella Fitzgerald, 65; *Lord Gladwyn, 83;* Mr W. F. R. Hardie, 81; Lord Hayter, 72; the Earl of Lichfield, 44; Mr David Machin, 49; Lady Marre, 63; Vice-Admiral Sir Frank Mason, 83; the Rev Marcus Morris, 68; Mr "Buster" Mottram, 28; Sir James Plimsoll, 66; Mr William Roache, 51; Sir Stanley Rous, 88; Mr David Shepherd, 52; Sir Jack Smart, 63; Sir *David Stephens,* 73.

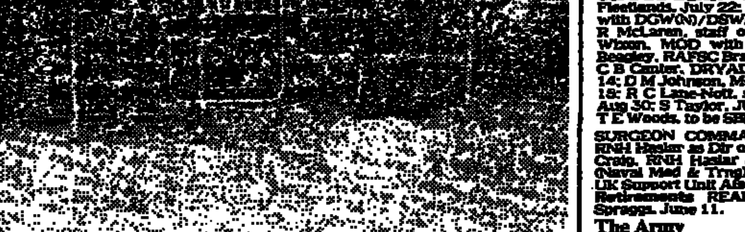
Royal Society of St George

On St George's Day there was a wreath-laying ceremony by the Royal Society of St George at the Cenotaph, followed by a luncheon.

On Sunday, April 24, there was a patriotic service at St George's Church, Hanover Square, in Mayfair, attended by, among others, the Lord Mayor of Westminster and mayors of London boroughs. Afterwards there was a reception at the headquarters of the Royal Society of St George in Belgravia.

Gray's Inn

Professor Randolph Quirk, Vice-Chancellor of London University, has been elected an Honorary Master of the Bench of Gray's Inn.



Pigeon English: Dr Frank Hansford-Miller, chairman of the Save England Crusade, found the English a little thin on the ground for his St George's Day rally in Trafalgar Square yesterday. He is seen showing the flag with his wife (Photograph: Harry Kerr).

Parliament this week

Commons. Today (2.30): Progress in committee on the Finance Bill. Motion on the NHS (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Amendment Regulations.

Tomorrow (2.30): Debate on Opposition motion on local government and community services. Motion on NHS (Charges to Overseas Visitors) Amendment Regulations.

Wednesday (2.30): Further progress in committee on the Finance Bill. Education (Fees and Awards) Bill, second reading.

Thursday (2.30): Completion of comittee stage of Finance Bill. Debate on European Community documents on vocational training policies and on the social fund.

Friday (9.30): Private members' Bills: Copyright (Amendment) Bill, remaining stages. Rating (Caravan Sites) (Scotland) (Amendment) Bill, second reading.

Select Committees: Tomorrow: Environment. Subject: Problems of management of urban renewal. Witnesses: Halifax Building Society: Building Society Association (4.15). Foreign Affairs: Overseas Development Sub-Committee Subject: Support for Overseas Students. Witnesses: United Kingdom Council for Overseas Student Affairs (5): Overseas Student Trust (6.15). Private Bill Committees. Ginns and Gutteridge. Leicester (Crematorium) Bill (10.30).

Wednesday: Industry and Trade. Subject: Follow-up meeting with British Leyland. Witnesses: Sir Austin Bide and senior representatives from BL (10.30). Scottish Affairs. Subject: Dampness in housing. Witness: Mr Allan Stewart Under-Secretary, Scottish Office (10.30). Welsh Affairs. Subject: Scrutiny of Welsh Office quangos. Witness: Land Authority for Wales (10.30). Transport. Subject: Bus subsidy policy. Witnesses: Association of Metropolitan Authorities (4.15): Transport and General Workers' Union (5.15 approx). Employment. Subject: Equal Pay Order. Witness: Mr Michael Alison, Minister of State, Employment (4.30). Private Bill Committees. Ginns and Gutteridge. Leicester (Crematorium) Bill (10.30).

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Lords. Today (2.30): Nuclear Material (Offences) Bill, third reading. Miscellaneous Financial Provisions Bill, second reading. Debate on the Science and Technology Committee report on the water industry. Debate on material on disarmament sent to schools.

Tomorrow (2.30): Housing and Building Control Bill, committee, first day.

Wednesday (2.30): Debates on the second report of the Brandt Commission; public and private health; and on the opticians' monopoly.

Thursday (3): Housing and Building Control Bill, committee, second day.

Select committees. Tuesday. EEC subcommittee G (Environment). Evidence from the Institution of Environmental Health Officers on the use of sewage sludge (10.45).

Subcommittee A (Finance, Economics and Regional Policy). Evidence from the British Bankers' Association and other bankers on the European Monetary System.

Wednesday: EEC subcommittee D (Agriculture, Food and Consumer Affairs). Evidence from Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, on the wider prospects for the CAP (10.30).

Science and Technology subcommittee I *(Remote Sensing and Digital Mapping)* Evidence from the Royal Society (3.15).

Progress of legislation

Commons. Apr 18: Coroners Juries Bill read a first time. Apr 19: Hampshire Bill read the third time. Leasehold Flats Reform Bill and Concessionary Television Licences for Old Age Pensioners Bill both read a first time. Matrimonial Homes Bill, Mental Health Bill and Pilotage Bill (all consolidation) passed remaining stages. Apr 20: Social Security and Housing Benefits Bill, read third time by 271 to 186. Apr 21: Petroleum Royalties (Relief) Bill and Education (Fees and Awards) Bill read first time. Agricultural Holdings (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill read third time. Apr 22: Disease of Fish Bill passed remaining stages: Pet Animals Act 1951 (Amendment) Bill and Coroners' Juries Bill, read second time. **Lords.** Apr 19: Telecommunications Bill read second time. Apr 19: Energy Bill passed committee stage. Ports (Reduction of Debt) Bill read second time. Apr 20: King's College London Bill read third time and passed. Apr 21: Level Crossings Bill, Water Bill and British Shipbuilders Bill, all read third time. Prohibition of Female Circumcision Bill, read second time.

Latest wills

Major-General Viscount Bridgeman, of Minsterley, Shropshire, left estate valued at £433,601 net.

Dora Gertrude Cox, of Mill Hill, London, left estate valued at £210,605 net. She left £10,000 each to Dr Barnardo's and the Salvation Army, £5,000 each to the RSPCA, PDSA and NSPCC, and £10,000 and the residue of her property to the RNLI.

Mr Frank Ayton Key, of Aylsham, Norfolk, lest estate valued at *£586,860 net.*

Kerner-Greenwood, Mrs Frances Mary, of Cambridge £298,528
Grist, Mrs Violet Minnie, of Hove £326,761
Holgate, Mrs Dorothy Somerville Wilcock, of Hale £311,856

Appointments in the Forces

Royal Navy
VICE-ADMIRAL: R R Squires, FOSNI, COMNORLANT and COMNORCHAN. Also to be Port Admiral Rosyth, Aug 11.
REAR-ADMIRAL: J C Warsop, to be Flag Offr and Port Admiral Portsmouth, Sept.
CAPTAINS: J Asbury, duty with NATO, May 30; J L Round-Turner, DRAKE as Capt 2nd SM Sqdn, June 30; K A Snow, HERMES in cmd, Aug 23; J C L Wright, to be Snr Naval Offr Falklands Islands & QHM Falkland Islands & Dependencies, date: P H Wright, MOD as DDNLP, June 23; R T Frere, BRAZEN in cmd, Oct 18; P F Grenier, to be Capt of the Fleet, Oct 6; A P Hoddinott, MOD as ADNW (WU), Oct 7; N R Jones, MOD(PE) with DGW(N)/DUWP at AUWE, June 17; A E Sturgeon, CALEDONIA IN CMD, Oct 11.
SURGEON CAPTAINS: F R Wilkes, RNH Plymouth as Dir of Naval Surg, June 1; D S Wright, INM as Head of Occ Medl Services and Professor of Naval Occ Med, May 2.
SURGEON CAPTAIN (D): F R B Mathias, to be promtd Surgeon Rear-Admiral (D), Sept 7; and to be Dir Naval Dental Services, Sept 14.
COMMANDERS: F G Craig, RNAY Fleetlands, July 22; A R Johnson, MOD(PE) with DGW(N)/DSWP at ASWE, June 30; W R McLaren, staff of FOSM, Oct 21; D G Wixon, MOD with CSSE, July 18; C R Beagley, RAFSC Bracknell as DS, Aug 30; P C B Canter, DRYAD for staff of MTS, Nov 14; D M Johnson, MOD with DG Ships, July 18; R C Lane-Nott, staff of FOSM as SWO, Aug 30; S Taylor, JUPITER in cmd, Oct 18; T E Woods, to be SBNO Bermuda, Nov 18.
SURGEON COMMANDERS: J M Beeley, RNH Haslar as Dir of Naval Med, June 1; A Craig, RNH Haslar as CSO to Surgn Cdre (Naval Med & Trng), Nov 4; B E Lambert, UK Support Unit Alnouth, Aug 12.
Retirements REAR-ADMIRAL: T O K Spraggs, June 11.

The Army
COLONEL OF THE REGIMENT: Maj-Gen D Boorman, Colonel 6th Queen Elizabeth's Own Gurkha Rifles, April 30.
COLONEL COMMANDANT: Lt-Gen Sir Thomas Morony, Master Gunner St James's Park, May 1.
BRIGADIERS: R J Clifford, MOD as DAVRS, May 1; A J Pavlour, HQ1 (BR) Corps as Comd Supply, April 29.
COLONELS: A J McD Clark, HQ Arty Div (Dortmund) as Dep Comd, April 29; M N V Duddridge, HQ SW Dist as Comd Trans and Movt, April 28; P J Hanglin, HQ BAOR as Provost Marshal, April 27; I R Jones, TRG GP RCT as Comd SCH TPT, April 29; K R Morgan-Jones, 1 ADTU as Comd Vet Services BAOR and CO 1 ADTU, April 29; C D O'Hara, MOD as Col, April 29; P W Symes, HQ BAOR as Chief G4 (Qtg), April 25.
LIEUTENANT-COLONELS: G P Blaker RGJ, LIVE OAK as SO1 (OPs), April 29; J Clementson RCT, HQ UKLF as Chief G4, April 29; A B Crossley RAPC, RAPC Trg Centre as Asst Comd and Ch Instr, April 29; F G E Grainger RE, RAE Farnborough as SO1, April 29; A R Jones RTF, UKCICC as SO1, April 25; A Mills RAPC, HQ BAOR as SO1, April 29; W T Reid QLR, 1 YORKS (V) as CO, April 26; C B Q Wallace RGJ, 3RGJ as CO, April 26.
CHAPLAINS: J N Thomas RAChD, HQ London Dist as S Chaplain, April 29.
Retirements
BRIGADIER: A J B Stagg MBE (late RA), April 28.
COLONELS: A J H Paterson (late ALC), April 30; G E V Rochfort-Rae (late GREN GDS), April 26; D H Jenkinson (late RA), April 30.

Royal Air Force
AIR VICE-MARSHAL (Acting Air Marshal): E C Dunn, MOD as Chief Engineer (RAF), April 30.
AIR COMMODORE (Acting Air Vice-Marshal): J F H Tetley, Cdr NORMAR and Air Offr Scotland and NI, April 30.
AIR COMMODORES: R Dick, MOD as DO/Est, April 30; NA A Perrin, RAF Vice-president Ordnance Board, April 30.
GROUP CAPTAIN (Acting Air Vice-Marshal): Rev G R Renowden, Chaplain-in-Chief, April 30.
GROUP CAPTAIN (Acting Air Commodore): B Higgs, MOD for Staff Duties, April 30.
WING COMMANDERS (Acting Group Captain): P M Stean, MOD (AFD) for staff duties, April 29; D Emmerson, HQ 18 Gp for staff duties, April 29; K R Edmonds, Nigeria as CRAPAT(N), April 29.
WING COMMANDERS: J L Uprichard, HQ SHAPE as SO Plans, April 25; R Evans, RAFAT Nigeria on DS JCSS, April 26; B E St Clair, DOAE West Byfleet as Air 1, April 29.

University news

Newcastle
A cheque for £180,000 to endow a research lectureship in neuromuscular disease in the university medical school is to be presented on April 25. Most of the money has come from the William Leech Property *Trust.*

Dr William Leech, a philanthropist, and Mr A. Neil McQueen, life president of the Newcastle and district branch of the Muscular Dystrophy Group of Great Britain, will present the cheque to Viscount Ridley, chairman of the university's development trust.

Loughborough
Grants
Science and Engineering Research Council: £201,884 to Professor J Mann for setting up teaching company programmes with Fisons (pharmaceuticals division), Loughborough and Spray Processes Ltd, Bedford; £128,974 to Professor D S Evans, Dr A Newman and Dr M C Woodward for work on multiprocessor performance workload distribution; £102,716 to Professor R Bell and Dr E A Roberts for research into industrial applications of flexible manufacturing systems; £90,100 and £85,600 to Dr R H Weston and Mr K E Miles to investigate the integration of robots within production systems, and modular work-handling systems.
Electricity Council: £50,000 to the electronic and electrical engineering department's electroheat group for work on educational aspects of electroheat.
Ministry of Defence: £48,213 to Professor I R Smith for a study of electrical power system modelling.

Church news

Appointments
The Rev P Barratt, Vicar of St Mary's, Rawtenstall, diocese of Manchester, to be Vicar and Priest-in-charge of United Benefice of St Michael, Wincle, and St Saviour, Wildboarclough, and St Mary the Virgin, Bosley, and St Michael, North Rode, diocese of Chester.
The Rev P N Cassidy, Vicar of St Luke with St Paul, St Pancras, diocese of London, to be Chaplain of Strasbourg & Stuttgart, with Heidelburg, diocese in Europe.
The Rev D A Colon, Vicar of St Thomas, Hanwell, diocese of London, to be Area Dean of Ealing West, same diocese.
The Rev L G H Craske, Vicar of St John's, Upper Norwood, diocese of Canterbury, to the living of St Saviour, Guernsey, diocese of Winchester.
The Rev C G Dickenson, Vicar of St James with St Bede, Birkenhead, diocese of Chester, to be Vicar of St Edith, Shocklach with St Mary, Tilston, same diocese.
The Rev R M Davies, Assistant Curate, of St Peter and St Paul, Tonbridge, diocese of Rochester, to be Assistant Chaplain of Amsterdam, diocese in Europe.

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include: Mr John Fuller-Sessions to be headmaster of Bramcote School, Scarborough, from September, in succession to Mr Colin McGarrigle, who is to be headmaster of Queen Margaret's School, York.

OBITUARY

EARL HINES
Innovative jazz pianist

Earl Hines, the jazz pianist and bandleader who was an early colleague of Louis Armstrong, died on April 22 at a hospital in Oakland, California to which he had been admitted earlier in the week following a heart attack. He had performed his last engagement the previous weekend in San Francisco, where he had lived for many years; he was 77.

His partnership with Armstrong in the late 1920s brought him to prominence as one of the great innovators of jazz piano-playing; his style was subsequently copied and adapted to such an extent that it became the foundation for almost every succeeding generation. Throughout the jazz world he was known by an appropriate nickname, "Fatha".

Born Earl Kenneth Hines in Duquesne, Pennsylvania on December 28, 1905, he grew up in a musical family: his father played the trumpet with a brass band and his mother was an organist. The young Hines studied with teachers in Pittsburgh and, while still at school, performed by night in clubs, assembling and strengthening the components of a technique which were to make him a virtuoso.

He moved to Chicago with his first full-time employer, the singer Lois Deppe, in 1922; there he met many of the young jazz musicians who had moved north from New Orleans during the great migration of that era, including the clarinetist Jimmy Noone, with whom he played at the Apex Café, and, in 1927, Louis Armstrong. Hines recorded with Armstrong's Stompers in May of that year, but *collaboration was not to* blossom until the latter half of 1928, when Armstrong's new Hot Five, including Hines, recorded both as a unit and as members of Carroll Dickerson's Orchestra. Among the masterpieces they created were "West End Blues", prefaced by Armstrong's classic introduction, and "Weather Bird", a duet for trumpet and piano.

Whether in imitation of Armstrong or not, Hines was developing a piano technique which became known as "trumpet style". His right hand concentrated on single-note lines, as if transcribed from a wind instrument, while his left hand became a support, feeding a variety of harmonic information and rhythmic impetus. When, later on, his playing became more orchestral in *scope, this was because he had* led his own big bands for many years and, in the context of a small group, he chose to translate the mass and the drive of brass and reeds to the keyboard.

"Trumpet style" also involved a transliteration of smaller elements of style, including an adaptation of Armstrong's terminal vibrato. Such attention to detail, added to the new kind of tension created between left and right hands, formed the basis of a stylistic evolution which involved such as Teddy Wilson, Nat Cole and, most vitally, Bud Powell, who took the approach into the modern era.

The crucial work with Armstrong, which practically redefined the roles of jazz soloist and accompanist, was accomplished within a remarkably short time. In December, 1928, Hines opened with his own big band at the Grand Terrace Ballroom in Chicago's South Side district. He was to remain there for a dozen years, performing straight through the turbulent Capone years; perhaps it was there that he acquired the detached, insouciant air of a man intent on flattening the harmonic intervals of the third and the seventh with his pinkie finger while all around him mobsters flattened hoodlums with Thompson guns.

Hines's big band never achieved the unmistakeable character of those of his contemporaries Ellington and Basie, but the ensemble was highly regarded and invariably included outstanding musicians and arrangers, such as the clarinettist Omer Simeon and the tenor saxophonist Budd *Johnson. In the early 1940s,* when the band toured North America, Hines acquired and encouraged musicians of the next generation: Dizzy Gillespie, Charlie Parker, Wardell Gray, Billy Eckstine and Sarah Vaughan passed through his ranks, turning the band into an important breeding ground for the coming stylistic convulsion of bebop.

The ensemble was disbanded in 1948, and Hines rejoined Armstrong's group, the All Stars, for three years. Thereafter he lived relatively quietly in San Francisco, occasionally leading a small group; he was contemplating retirement when, in 1964, three concerts at the Little Theatre in New York led to his rediscovery by the jazz world.

By now Hines was the complete jazz pianist, the master of every technique, and he toured the world with his groups (usually, to the critics' chagrin, including a pop singer as light relief), visiting Britain, where he performed at the American Embassy as well as at Ronnie Scott's Club, on several occasions.

For all the achievements and satisfactions of his later years, however, Hines's true destiny had been played out in those six months of 1928, when his creative imagination introduced to jazz elements of flexibility and independence which were to shape its future as a means of individual and collective expression.

BUSTER CRABBE

Buster Crabbe, who died at his home in Arizona at the age of 75, on April 23, had as a swimmer, been a world record holder and Olympic champion for the United States, before going into films where he became a leading man in 'B' pictures.

Though born in California Crabbe grew up in Hawaii where his father had moved, and learned to swim as a small child. At school he excelled in all sports and when he subsequently concentrated on swimming he soon began breaking domestic records. In all he was to hold 16 world records and after being a reserve for the United States at the 1928 Olympics in Amsterdam, won the gold medal in the 400 metres freestyle event in Los Angeles in 1932.

When Paramount screen tested 40 of the athletes who had participated in the Los Angeles Games, Crabbe was among those to be offered a contract and thereafter his good looks saw him through well over 100 films during his career.

These included such stalwarts as *King of the Jungle* (1933); a *Tarzan* film, *Tarzan the Fearless* (1933); and *Buck Rogers* (1939), but it was perhaps as Flash Gordon, that he became best known to his audiences, in a number of films portraying the adventures of the space hero.

He also appeared on television and had business interests, as well as being an active promoter of physical fitness, which led him to write a book on calisthenics.

MR SIDNEY HENSCHEL

Mr Sidney Henschel, the advertisement director of the *Financial Times* for many years and since his retirement consultant to the board of that newspaper, died on April 24 aged 89.

Formerly advertisement manager of the *Yorkshire Post* he joined the old *Financial News* in the same capacity and continued in that role when it became the *Financial Times.*

Until he became advertisement director he also served as advertisement manager of the *Investors Chronicle.*

During the last war he combined the duties of motoring correspondent with those of advertisement manager for both publications.

He was a founder and life member of the Guild of Motoring Writers.

MAJ-GEN D. T. COWAN

Major-General David Tennant Cowan, CB, CBE, DSO, MC, who died on April 15 at the age of 86, served with the 2nd Battalion the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders in France where he gained his MC, until 1917, when he transferred to the Gurkha Rifles in which he took part in the 3rd Afghan War and the Waziristan Campaign in 1919 and 1920.

From 1932 to 1934 he was Chief Instructor at the Indian Military Academy and in 1937 was mentioned in despatches in the Waziristan Operations of that year.

He commanded the 1/6 Gurkha Rifles in 1939-40 and, after a spell at GHQ India served from 1942 to 1945 in Burma as GOC 17th Indian Division. From 1945 to 1947 when he retired, he commanded the British and Indian Division, British Commonwealth Occupation Force Japan.

He was a Deputy Lieutenant for Devon from 1953 to 1963 and was Hon Commandant Empire Village for the Vth Empire and Commonwealth Games in Wales in 1958.

WALTER SLEZAK

Walter Slezak, the Austrian character actor, was found dead, apparently of a self-inflicted gunshot wound, in the backyard of his Long Island home on April 21. He was 80.

Slezak, who was born in Vienna on May 3, 1902, came of a well-known Austrian theatrical family. But he went to the United States in the 1930s and his career was, thereafter, on the New York stage and in films of which he appeared in more than twenty.

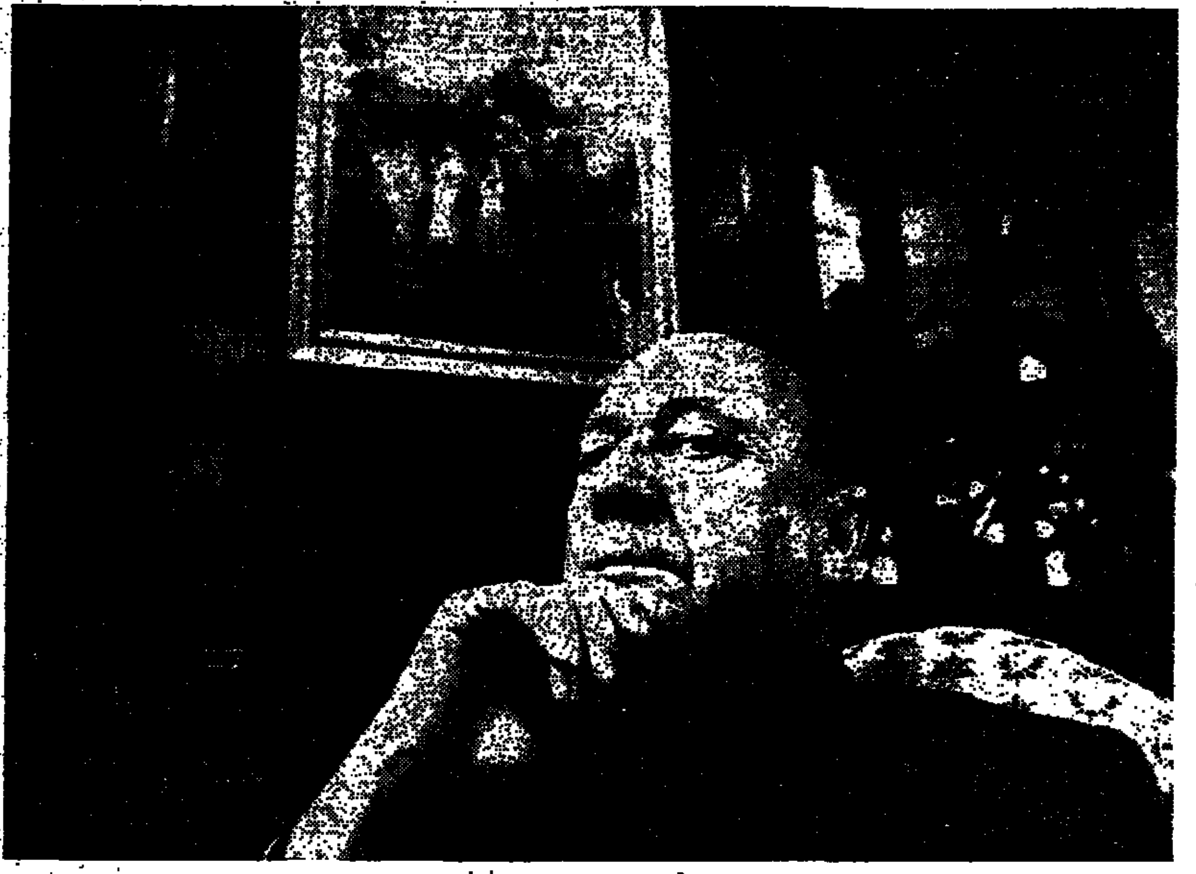
The stage production of *Meet My Sister* was his first engagement and later stage roles included *My Three Angels* and *Fanny.*

His films began with *Once Upon a Honeymoon* in 1942 and included titles like *The Inspector General* (1940), *Come September* (1961) and *Emil and the Detectives* (1964).

THE ARTS

Donald Pleasence, long the odd man out among our leading actors, tomorrow appears as Dr Johnson in BBC1's controversial *The Falklands Factor*. Interview by **Bryan Appleyard**

The personification of uncommonness



Pleasence: "I'm a kind of lovable figure really. I'm loved by middle-aged women. They're my fans . . ."

Donald Pleasence gazed into the pale spring light of Albermarle Street, a hint of madness in his eyes. Suddenly the bald head swivelled chameleon-like in response to the movement of a waiter in a far corner of the room. The poor minion scuttled away.

Most of this did not happen. It should have done but it did not. Pleasence in the flesh is not at all sinister, displays very few signs of madness and only swivels at the request of the photographer. Indeed he is evidently a little impatient with the very word "sinister". "I'm a kind of lovable figure really. I'm loved by middle-aged women. They're my fans. When men stop me in the street *for my autograph it's always for their* wives, who must be about 50."

But, whether he likes it or not, the latter half of Pleasence's career has been marked by sinister roles, odd characters and, failing that, people under pressure to the point of madness. Nothing could have more completely made the point than the television ads for Pils – "the odd lager".

It was not ever thus. In the late Fifties he was everybody's idea of the common man, a role he played month after month in the live television dramas of the time. Happily he recalls those interminable travelling salesmen and the days when directors used to cry "Let's get Pleasence for the ordinary bloke!"

But even as he hankers after the commonplace he exposes his anarchic streak: "Actors have much more control in live television. Millions of people watching and you can do anything. I used to have this fantasy that I would go home in the middle of a play and turn on my set to watch my next entrance – I knew that nobody was going to come on." He unleashes his wheezy chuckle, his most characteristic sound apart from the sudden, unnerving swoop into a whisper which punctuates his conversation.

But, after the dramas, came the television series *Armchair Mystery Theatre* of which he was host and occasional star. The public attached the name to the face and the face to an air of mystery, to a sense that something rather strange was going on. But it could not simply have been the effect of casting. At the age of 18 Pleasence left his first job as a booking clerk at Swinton Station in Yorkshire – "my parents had influence". He told the station master he was off to become an actor. Finding this very odd the railway company sent in a high-powered auditor to discover if he had been selling bogus first-class tickets and was attempting to abscond with the proceeds. The label "odd" was stuck on early.

Labelled or not, he is now an eminently bankable property. Stage parts appear to be available whenever he wants them and he travels continually to play in a steady flow of films. Now he is in Mexico working on *Frankenstein's Great Aunt Tilly*.

"I only make odd films, that's the point. If they made interesting films then I would appear in interesting films. But the fact is that only horror movies are made at the moment. This at least is a funny horror film and I'm quite looking forward to it." With a little prompting he drifts into a happy reminiscence about *Cul-de-sac*, the Roman Polanski film in which he portrays a nice guy driven mad by his wife and friends.

"I was watching a couple of films I'd rented from the video shop round the corner, and I thought films have *got so complicated. They're all shot* like commercials – your nose, your glasses and so on. And I thought how wonderful to see a film like *Cul-de-sac*. The essence of that film is what you read into it, not what the director puts into it by way of fancy cutting. It was a straightforward film in the sense that it could have happened – like *Waiting for Godot*. The weirdest things are those which bear a resemblance to the truth."

The Falklands Factor – Don Shaw's play to be shown on BBC 1 tomorrow – bears a very close resemblance to one truth and a slightly more distant similarity to another. The first is the invasion of the Falklands by the Spanish in 1770 and the second is the invasion by the Argentinians in 1982. The BBC is running it as a *Play for Today*, the *first historical drama to appear in the* slot. Pleasence plays Dr Samuel Johnson, who was persuaded by the Prime Minister, Lord North, to write a pamphlet against war with Spain. Johnson at the time was struggling with poverty and the fear of madness, not to mention a vigorous hatred of the pro-war writer Junius, the scribe Who Supported Our Boys.

"I think it's very important to remember that when Johnson was doing the pamphlet on the Falklands he thought himself to be on the verge of insanity. It was a genuine fear so far as I can tell from the books I've read . . ." – he swoops into the whisper – " . . . but how do you know about history? He didn't have any money, never had any money, just worried all the time about what was his place in the world and whether he'd made a terrible mistake."

Pleasence's thoughts on the great Doctor have produced a performance which is startlingly at odds with the coffee-table book image of the portly mandarin of Eng. Lit. There are still the perfectly turned sentences but they are delivered as from the depths of a vastly depressed soul. The Pleasence whisper is used to elaborate the effect of a man drifting back and forth from the here and now. Small wonder that he gets so few common man parts when he does the uncommon ones so uncommonly well.

But it all leaves him with a slightly maverick image, as if all this oddness somehow puts him outside the scope of the term "distinguished actor". And "maverick" is certainly a term he warms to a good deal more than "sinister".

"Yes. I think so. I don't like establishment people who know what they're doing or . . . I must be precise about this . . .. I think everything changes from day to day and I can't see myself as a precise figure, as somebody who always knows what is right and what is wrong . . . I don't. I don't know what is going to happen tomorrow . . ." (whispers) "The world is full of people who know exactly what's going to happen tomorrow, which seems to me to be a pity . . ."

He drifts off into thought but turns abruptly back into the alert pro*fessional when the photographer asks* him to pose. Obediently he turns up his collar and gazes out into the pale spring light of Albemarle Street, a hint of madness in his eyes. . . .

Television

Ill-starred scenario

James Galway's Music in Time is the title of a good popular introduction to music published jointly by Mitchell Beazley and Channel 4. On the cover, in smaller type, it says "written by William Mann". In coffee-table television spin-offs the real author counts for less than the star who lends his glittering name.

Music in Time the series (Channel 4) is a big international co-production for which Mann acts as "music consultant". Someone else contributes a "scenario", and Galway pops out like a jack-in-the-box to add what the handout calls his "infectious enthusiasm" to the proceedings. Yesterday, while the cameras ranged over choristers, candles, carvings, crucifixes and more choristers (the scenario?), Galway piped up with little remarks designed to prove that medieval music is not really frightening at all. One wished he would either pipe down, or else get his own pipe out and play it. The musical juxtapositions were indeed interesting but what this eye-glazing programme desperately needed was some of that genuinely infectious enthusiasm which Mann brings to the book. But that, alas, would not have been permitted by the scenario.

I have not yet caught up with Jane Glover's *Orchestra*, which BBC1 are running at roughly the same time, but I have not missed a minute of BBC2's riveting series Alfred Brendel Masterclass. "The pedal markings Beethoven wrote are not there for nothing. Whoever ignores them is committing a crime", said the guru apropos a noted trouble-spot in the "Tempest" Sonata. "If you feel something you shouldn't interfere by knowing it." The tuneless growl and almost spastic facial expressions with which he accompanies his own playing somehow reinforce the impression that he is right in there among the mysteries.

In Wise Man and the Wheel (Channel 4) James Bellini delivered a new blow to the portly person of Richard Attenborough by suggesting that his emaciated hero was not so much a revolutionary as a misguided Victorian eccentric. The programme, which dwelt at length among the dispossessed poor, based its simple but devastating case on the fact that Gandhi's most enduring legacy has been a cruelly efficient system of capitalist exploitation.

The textile workers of Bombay have been on strike for over a year, and have even been joined by the police in demonstrating for higher wages. Violence, said Bellini with pugnacious glee, was now a real possibility. Underedited and overlong, this programme was none the less a timely reply to all those Oscars.

When even *Radio Times* pokes fun at the Eurovision Song Contest (BBC1) it behoves the rest of us to fall silent. "Vivre!" sang the French contestant, heaving over his keyboard. "Vivre! Encore un réveil ivre!" "Do re me fa so la ti do!" sang the Norwegians, determined not to rest on the laurels they had won two years previously be scoring zero points. The suprise was that the winner, a torch singer from Luxembourg, really could sing. Terry Wogan officiated with his customary blend of derision and reverence.

The opening edition of The Late Clive James (Channel 4) was, as Dennis Hackett observed last week, duff beyond belief. Nice to see that the rotund maestro has now pulled his finger out: Saturday's show was well up to standard.

Michael Church

Dance

Oasis of sensitivity

Contemporary Ballets

Paris Opéra/ Théâtre de la Ville

The big hit with most of the public in the Soirée de Ballets Contemporains at the Paris Opéra was Alvin Ailey's *Au Bord du précipice*, about the destruction of a pop-star musician through adulation, sex and drugs. Across town at the Théâtre de la Ville, Karole Armitage has been astonishing audiences of the Opéra Ballet's Experimental Group (GRCOP) not only by the violent energy of her dancing but by the rock-concert volume of her music.

But first, something completely different and no less original. The other creation in the programme at the Opéra itself was a work lasting half an hour for only two dancers and a pianist. The music is eight of the 12 Etudes for piano by Debussy, excellently played by Georges Pludermacher. The choreographer is Andrew de Groat, who first won attention with his work for Robert Wilson's "operas" but lately has made ballets as a freelance and for his own group.

The dancers were Wilfride Piollet and Jean Guizerix, husband and wife stars of the Opéra, who have long been interested in using their prodigious classical technique for contemporary ends. De Groat says he has tried to make the work an equal collaboration of dancers, choreography and music: there are set and free passages, and the relation of dance to music is different in each Etude.

Nouvelle Lune starts with solos, gradually building a relationship between the two dancers that makes the most of their remarkable rapport, so that communication sometimes occurs right across the huge stage, and they even seem mutually aware without needing to be able to see the other. A decor (by de Groat) of deliberately artificial-looking plastic clouds is brought into the action, descending and rising again; two doves also take part at one moment.

The action is an extraordinary mixture of natural movement and ballet technique, building on Piollet's strong feet and Guizerix's powerful jump, also the remarkable control that enables both to accomplish the most delicate gradations of effect, as subtle and varied as the music. Physically, to sustain such movement so long and accurately is a tour de force, but equally impressive is the emotional quality they convey.

This work was an oasis of quiet, sensitive and absolutely gripping artistry between Glen Tetley's highly rhetorical *Voluntaries*, which began the bill, and Ailey's new work that ended it. Perhaps it is not surprising that some people left the theatre at the intermission while others were only just arriving (I was there the day after the première, and word-of-mouth spreads quickly).

Au Bord du précipice is a wild extravaganza that never lets up for a moment. The character called simply He has an opening solo in a white suit (the jacket worn open to reveal a bare chest), then changed to black leather. His wife, his desire and drugs are all represented by She in a series of increasingly revealing tights, sometimes worn with a huge cloak or strands of scarlet ribbon trailing behind. After the opening, He is scarcely ever alone: fans, pushers and a host of other attendants flock the stage.

The music, a mixture of modern styles in a recording ("As falls Wichita, so falls Wichita Falls") by Pat Metheny and Lyle Mays, is restless, with an edgy pulse, but there is something *déja vu* about the whole piece, its evocation of the Sordid Sixties rather empty and obvious. The energy and glamour of the dancers explains the popular enthusiasm, especially for Patrick Dupond, infinitely knowing and blatant as He (Charles Jude, in another cast, lacks confidence in his own hip-wriggling), and Eric Vu-An as the rising star who eclipses him in the hectic finale – definitely a name to watch.

Karole Armitage puts her high-voltage energy to a far more contemporary purpose both in *Massacre on MacDougall Street*, which she staged for a French cast, and in *The Last Gone Dance*, for herself and Michael Clark as guests on one of the GRCOP programmes. Compared with her pieces, the contributions by the group's own choreographers (Jacques Garnier, Maguy Marin, Ulysses Dove and Carolyn Carlson in the two shows I saw) are insipid: often starting with a good concept, but not backing it with enough movement invention to hold the interest.

The title *Massacre on MacDougall Street* hints at a respect for Balanchine – Armitage used to dance his ballets in Geneva before coming via Merce Cunningham to her present independent style. Her other piece at the Théâtre de la Ville even used elements of rather formal *pas de deux* partnering at times, although always with a new angle, and there is nothing formal about the relationship between her and Clark, which is displayed as fiercely aggresive.

Dressed by Charles Atlas in outrageous mixtures of colour, shape and pattern, with frequent changes of clothes, footwear and even wigs, Armitage and her dancers in both works convey the sort of self-contained disregard and assurance one sees in many of today's young people. The contained quality of it is important in the result: what everyone notices in Armitage's choreography is its forcefulness, but that makes its effect partly by contrast with a cool, wary stillness, especially in her own performances.

Massacre is danced to recorded music of Rhys Chatham, with whom she worked in her *Drastic Classicism*. For *The Last Gone Dance* Armitage has the composer David Linton on stage, playing a gleaming collection of percussion in duet with pre-recorded tapes. Although the idiom is entirely different, the relationship of musician and two dancers is as intense as in *Nouvelle Lune* at the Opéra.

Perhaps somebody should try putting the two works in tandem on one programme. Although outwardly contrasted, they have a lot in common, chiefly the serious use of a scrupulously polished technique to accomplish something new that develops rather than disregards tradition. Novelty alone, like patriotism, is not enough; amid a rush of novelties, Armitage and de Groat offer something more.

John Percival

Theatre

Antony and Cleopatra

Young Vic

The school parties packing into the Young Vic to see their set book are greeted by a Voytek set of baroque splendour that seems rather to herald a performance of *All for Love*. I hope they will not be put off. Keith Hack's production is as successful a demonstration as I have seen of blending and inventing styles and periods.

A headless heroic statue (just as apt for this hero as for *Lorenzaccio*) dominates a flight of steps down which a cascade of crushed and gathered cloth-of-gold spreads from its torso to cover the forestage. Antony's classical breastplate and tan leather trousers (impudently *planted with a lily up front*) sit comfortably beside the imitation of Veronese in Caesar's and Enobarbus's military costumes and a featherwieght lavender tulle confection for Cleopatra which she could have worn to a first night at Covent Garden.

So much for Pippy Bradshaw's costumes. I am less happy about the actors inside them; the distinguished names here are not at their best, and there is some mighty dim work low down in the order.

Again and again, the impact of a scene or the reading of a line seems to owe most to the director's intelligence, and loses spontaneity. So many qualities in this extraordinary play have to be brought out and balanced: the sheer stature of the characters, the intimacy and immediacy that expresses itself in some of the most emotionally piercing lines in Shakespeare, the rhetoric alternating with dialogue that constantly flickers with the subtlest bawdy overtones.

There is much more light and shade in this language than most of the cast seem to be aware. The sense of histronic danger, risking a really big effect (I know schools audiences do not help, sniggering as they do at the sight of a snake), is *missing too; and* it matters in this play more than most.

Since I last saw him, Keith Baxter (Antony) has become smartly crop-headed and has acquired a fine throaty sonority, invaluable for this old warrior, as well as a beard like the Ghost's in *Hamlet*, "a sable silvered". He gets away with some splendidly butch business, swinging his tall Queen of Egypt (Judy Parfitt) into the air for "Here is my space . . . the nobleness of life is to do thus" and departing from Sextus Pompeius's drinking session *hoisting Octavius* (Brian Deacon) in one hand and his host in the other. That is fair, at least, on Jeffery Kissoon's Pompeius, who approaches a parody of old-school Old Vic acting.

He is also horribly moving in Antony's first despair: "The land bids me tread no more upon 't, it is ashamed to bear me . . ." But the topmost peaks elude him, as they do (just) with Barry Stanton's Enobarbus, however well his tough desenchanted manner tells in the more terse, natural exchanges.

Noble profile notwithstanding, Miss Parfitt's grace is firmly European and, so far from reaching for the olive make-up, she takes to a loose gown and sandals more naturally than Glenda Jackson, in unhappier circumstances, ever could. Some lovers of the play may miss the dusky Eastern promise and think it necessary: that depends on taste.

Anthony Masters



Keith Baxter's old warrior, with Jeffery Kissoon

Concerts

RPO/Menuhin

Festival Hall

The "Sold Out" sign was up on Friday night when the RPO's President and Associate Conductor (not to be confused with any of the five other conductors who at present hold titles with this orchestra) made a rare appearance: the name of Yehudi Menuhin draws the crowds whether he is doing what he does best or whether he is conducting. I am not such a spoilsport as to suggest that any concert which involves his musicianship could be less than an exalted experience, and in fact his account of Beethoven's "Pastoral" Symphony was a warm-hearted, enjoyable one.

The RPO's leader did much of the work, translating Menuhin's affectionate gestures into directions which the orchestra could follow. If the conductor never quite seemed sure whether he was beating in two or four or just encouraging with a generally circular motion, he at least set apt speeds and only a couple of times pulled them about too much; he provided a humane, gentle approach to the work within which the orchestra's competent playing could function.

It follows that this was an entirely unexploratory reading: I still live in hope of a first movement which bounces off the strings and a storm sequence in which cellos and basses can be heard.

The first half included Mozart's Concerto for flute and harp, with Jean-Pierre Rampal and Marisa Robles – the former effervescent, but giving little attention to niceties of intonation (his main finale entry was wildly off-pitch), the latter nervous but determined in her constant figuration. In each movement the soloists paused to include a little confection of their own (the cadenzas certainly had nothing to do with Mozart): Miss Robles's cadential whooshes drew delighted gasps from the appreciative house, and even Mr Menuhin seemed quite surprised as he headed for the downbeat.

Nicholas Kenyon

Songmakers' Almanac

Wigmore Hall

I saw only one red rose on Saturday for Shakespeare and St George: "Let us garlands bring" was the generous response from the Songmakers' Almanac in one of their most enriching entertainments.

The obvious, in the form of a superfluity of sounds and sweet airs, was avoided, as was, generally speaking, the coy and the didactic. Instead we had six artfully planned acts, with Prologue (Dankworth's "Compleat Works") and Epilogue (faery envois from Tippett and Wolf). In between came Germany, Denmark, Scotland, Russia and England, with "A Garland of Fancies" in the middle to enable us to hear Poulenc's and Britten's exquisite settings of "*Tell me where is fancy bred*". Sarah Walker sang them with fitting tenderness and whimsy.

Compliments were variously paid: from Frank Harris ("If Shakespeare had asked I would have had to submit") to Heine, who felt Shakespeare's only fault lay in being an Englishman. To try to prove the point we had Schubert's "Horch! horch! die Lerch" from Sheila Armstrong, and the *Antony and Cleopatra* "Trinklied" from Peter Savidge.

The biggest compliment perhaps was Graham Johnson's compilation of the *Strauss and* Brahms Ophelia songs. Sheila Armstrong, starting with Brahms's unaccompanied "How should I your true love know", gave a finely judged portrayal of Ophelia's developing destruction, using tellingly even the weaker parts of her voice. Berlioz's "Death of Ophelia" followed from Sarah Walker, with Peter Savidge *providing a postscript from* Shostakovich in his dark, declamatory setting of Marina Tsvetayeva's "Hamlet's Dialogue with his own Conscience".

It was good to be reminded too, in his setting of Sonnet 66, of the historical ubiquity of "Art made tongue-tied by authority" before turning to England and, among others better known, Sarah Walker's perceptive performance of Rubbra's "Take, O take those lips away".

Hilary Finch

Chicago SO/Solti

Carnegie Hall, New York

The Chicago Symphony Orchestra under Sir Georg Solti gave a concert performance of Wagner's *Rheingold* in Carnegie Hall following three performances in Chicago. For those lucky enough to have tickets for the Bayreuth *Ring* cycle this summer, the evening was a piquant foretaste. For others in the audience, it had to be the whole Wagnerian meal.

How much has the Solti conception of the score developed, since the landmark Decca recording of 1959 and his earlier concert performance, in 1971, with the Chicago orchestra? In truth, not that much. The driving energy of his earlier readings has been toned down and broadened – the scenes with Fricka are taken much more deliberately – and there is a greater sense of orchestral texture and colour: appropriately, given this first-class ensemble (complete down to six harps). The slower, expressive portions were less arresting than the big moments, because Solti's sense of phrase cannot bear the weight of the tempos he chose.

Yet those big moments have, if anything, been made even more vivid. The entrance of the giants, the decent to and ascent from Nibelheim, Alberich's "Habt acht!" and the scattering of the Nibelungs after bringing up the hoard – all were played with ultimate dramatic power, and always invoked the unseen stage. The final pages likewise were brazen and arrogant in their fearsome glitter, that great orchestral machine the Chicago Symphony, powered by its brass, sweeping all before it like a wall of water from a rent dam. It was overwhelming.

No wonder that the cast was largely relegated to a secondary position behind this orchestral torrent. Three of its members will undertake their roles in Bayreuth: Hermann Becht's Alberich, properly malevolent if somewhat raddled at the top of the range; Siegmund Nimsgern's Wotan, very youthful in sound and almost a baritone in his upper register ease; and Siegfried Jerusalem's Loge, craftily characterized but with a smallish voice drowned by the orchestra.

The Fricka of Gabriele Schnaut was forgettable, Mary Jane Johnson made an acceptable Freia and Dennis Bailey had difficulty with the tessitura of Froh. But the giants of Gwynne Howell (Fasolt) and Malcolm Smith (Fafner) were strong, as was John Cheek as Donner, and Robert Tear made a smarmy Mime. Quite the best singing of the evening came from Jan deGaetani's Erda – the most expressive and beautifully phrased Erda in my memory, investing that short scene with a poignant majesty it should but rarely does possess.

Patrick J. Smith

Rock

An honesty which pierces romance

Joni Mitchell

Wembley Arena

Joni sings most affectingly to her friends: Betsy, Sharon, Carol. Her observations have the musing, informal tone of letters and conversation, studded with the surprising details which have always lent her songs their special, precise resonance, such as the recent reflection on her friends' children: "We look like our mothers did now/When we were those kids' age".

She has an electric guitar now (a fat-bodied single-cutaway jazz model, to which she has adapted her folky finger style with typical originality) and a Hollywood-slick four-piece backing band. Still, though, the prevailing thrust is of an honesty which consistently pierces and brings down romance on the wing: she wants to be a wild thing, running fast and free, but she is increasingly willing to admit without self-pity to the banal frailties which to some extent hobble every life, be it ever so grand.

Saturday evening's concert followed the path of her most recent album by revelling in the injection of rock 'n' roll beneath the complicated surfaces of her song structures: her guitarist, Michael Landau, provided raging post-Hendrix power chords and *solos in* "*You Dream Flat Tires*" and "Wild Things Run Fast". Russell Ferrante (keyboards), Larry Klein (bass guitar) and Vince Colaiuta (drums) sewed up a variety of glistening backdrops, taking their cue from her trademark swaying strum and allowing her voice to range freely through its wonderful variety of timbre.

Towards the interval, she shuffled the deck. "God Must Be a Boogie Man", from the unsuccesful *Mingus* album, swung on finger-snapping bass and wire brushes on the snare drum; the early "He Played Real Good for Free", still a moving song, was accompanied only by her own piano; "Big Yellow Taxi", in which she rather endearingly muddled up the words, was done folk-club style, alone with her guitar; and she sat at the dulcimer for "A Case of You".

The big set pieces, one in each half, were taken from the underregarded *Hejira*: first "Song to Sharon", in which her sustained intensity took the whole concert up a gear or two; later "Refuge of the Roads", autobiography in the picaresque and metaphysical modes. Her recasting of Leiber and Stoller's "(You're So Square) Baby I Don't Care" lightened the mood; the marvellous "Chinese Cafe", which, so brilliantly interpolates snatches of "Unchained Melody", brought us back to hushed introspection with the kind of emotional combination-punch she devises better than anyone.



Richard Williams

Stock Exchange Prices

Capitalization and week's change

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings begin today. Dealings End, May 6. § Contango Day, May 9. Settlement Day, May 16.
§ Forward bargains are permitted on two previous days.
(Current market price multiplied by the number of shares in issue for the stock quoted)



Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div yld %	P/E
22.1m	Empire Stores	68	..	0.1	0.2	46.3
15.4m	Energy Serv	41	−2	1.3	3.2	15.1
329.1m	Eng China Clay	203	−4	11.7	5.8	9.4
1,352.6m	Ericsson	£38¼	+3	60.8	1.6	92.3
13.7m	Erith & Co	144	+4	6.6	4.6	17.2
208.2m	Euro Ferries	75	+1½	4.4	5.9	10.9
96.2m	Eurotherm Int	380	+15	4.6	1.3	32.6
17.1m	Evode Group	108	..	2.9	2.7	10.7
37.8m	Extel Grp	303	..	12.9	4.2	12.3

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div yld %	P/E
10.8m	Macpherson D.	60	+1	6.0	10.9	36.4
314.9m	Magnet & S'thns	176	−8	5.4b	3.1	19.2
8,499,000	Man Agcy Music	113	+1	12.5	11.1	10.3
66.1m	Marchwiel	300	−5	10.7	5.4	12.7
2,753.2m	Marks & Spencer	209	−8	6.7	3.2	22.8
129.3m	Marley PLC	63	−4½	3.6	5.7	26.8
5,280,000	Marling Ind	35	−½	1.5	4.4	4.5
384,000	Marshall T Lox	32	−4	..	..	..
1,280,000	Do A	29	+2	..	..	..

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div yld %	P/E
13.7m	Do 'A'	81	+2	2.6	3.2	12.4
131.1m	Telephone Rent	169	+8	6.6	3.9	16.3
427.4m	Tesco	127	−6	4.5	3.5	13.8
2,579,000	Textured Jersey	67	..	5.7	8.5	5.0
903.8m	Thorn EMI PLC	518	−6	20.9	4.0	15.3
15.8m	Tilbury Grp	134	−1	7.1	5.3	9.2
353.5m	Tilling T.	190	h −3	11.4	6.0	33.3
8,678,000	Time Products	17½	+1	..	..	..
5,676,000	Tomkins F. H.	22	..	1.9	8.8	5.5

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div yld %	P/E
26.8m	Gen Funds 'Ord'	395	+1	11.8	3.0	..
1,814,000	Do Conv	365	+5	..	..	..
33.5m	Gen Inv & Tsts	109	+1	5.2	4.8	..
19.6m	Gen Scottish	100	+3	4.4b	4.4	..
286.4m	Globe Trust	175	−4	11.3	6.4	..
12.8m	Greenfriar	320	..	3.3	1.0	..
9,486,000	Gresham Hse	230	−5	5.7	2.5	..
94.2m	Hambros	109	..	4.7b	4.3	..
172.0m	Hill P. Inv	178	−1½	9.9	5.6	..

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div yld %	P/E
9,155,000	Trust Secs	82	−1	2.8	3.4	4.7
15.6m	Do Dfd	78	..			
5,274,000	Webb J.	20½	+3	0.7	3.6	12.3
RUBBER						
36.2m	Barlow Hldgs	77	−2	5.7	7.4	..
17.4m	Castlefield	580	+20	20.0	3.4	..
350.6m	Cons Plant	75½	..	3.0	3.9	..
858,000	Doranakande	113	..	4.3	3.8	..
287.0m	Highlds & Low	95	..	6.2	6.5	..
5,850,000	Hongkong	650	..	35.7	5.5	..
13.6m	Majedie	88	..	4.3	4.9	..
TEA						
13.4m	Camellia Inv	530	+10	10.0	1.9	..
11.9m	McLeod Russel	297	−2	10.7	3.6	..
5,143,000	Do 8.4% Cnv Pf	117	−3	12.0	10.3	..
996,000	Moran	285	..	1.4e	0.5	..
1,120,000	Surmah Valley	140	h −10	5.7	4.1	..
MISCELLANEOUS						
1,342,000	Essex Wtr 3.5%	£37½	..	500	13.3	..
86.4m	Gt Nthn Tele	551	−1	159	3.1	20.1
692,000	Milford Docks	78	−2	0.7	0.9	..
1,727,000	Nesco Inv	83	..	10.0	12.0	..
—	Sunderlnd Wtr	£37	..	500	13.5	..

• Ex dividend. a Ex all. b Forecast dividend. c Corrected price. e Interim payment passed. f Price at suspension. g Dividend and yield exclude a special payment. h Bid for company. k Pre-merger figures. n Forecast earnings. p Ex capital distribution. r Ex rights. s Ex scrip or share split. t Tax free. y Price adjusted for late dealings. .. No significant data.

THE WEEK AHEAD

ICI expected to make £100m for quarter

How good is good? That is the question overhanging ICI's first quarter figures, due on Thursday, after the bullish remarks by Mr John Harvey-Jones, chairman, at last Thursday's *annual meeting*.

Since they are going to be a "distinct improvement" on any quarter of last year they must be well ahead of the £83m pretax which the group produced in the second quarter of last year, and therefore a vast improvement on £62m made in the first quarter of 1982.

In spite of the chairman's warning "not to go overboard" the market is going for £100m-plus for the quarter, and about £500m for the full year, against the depressed 1982 figure of £259m.

More important than the figures themselves *will* be the market's reaction to them. With the shares up by 15 per cent in a week and a half there is plenty of scope for profit-taking, even after Friday's 10p end-of-the-account drop.

The general impression, *however*, is that there will be plenty of buyers willing to take the stock in: ICI is still the market bellwether and institutional holders will be expecting other companies, slower to produce their figures, to reflect a similar improvement, and therefore to underpin the *general level of share prices.*

There is less optimism about the final results from S Pearson & Son due tomorrow. The *shares have been buoyant* recently, much impressed by the Oscar-winning success of *Ghandi* (the Pearson Longman subsidiary owns Goldcrest films).

But it may be that the 1982 results *will fall short of the* forecast made a year ago when Pearson bought out the minority shareholding in Pearson Longman. At that stage the group was *looking* for an improvement on the £59.5m it made in 1981, but the market is prepared for a slight shortfall.

The *Financial Times* performed particularly well in the *first half of the present year*, but it is sometime since the paper increased its cover price, and costs have been rising, particularly in newsprint, where exchange movements have worked against British publishers.

There are also fears that Longman, the publishing subsidiary, may have had problems *in its important* overseas markets in Nigeria, Zimbabwe and Australia, after a good year in 1981.

The *biggest* imponderable in S Pearson's figures is Doulton's contribution. In the second half of 1981, Doulton added £7.6m to group pretax profit.

One company which will satisfy the market with profits maintained or slightly improved is **Simon Engineering**, *whose final* figures are due today. The group has an enviable record of regular profit increases stretching back 10 years, and has been holding up well in the face of the recession where less well-managed companies have suffered.

Another group whose shares are close to their year's high is **Blue Circle**, Britain's biggest cement manufacturer which has been on the expansion trail with an agreed £26m bid for Aberthaw Cement and a move into the American market with the purchase of four cement plants in *partnership* with the Swiss group, Cementia Holdings.

Blue Circle has had problems with *its* Mexican associate company, but analysts are looking for 1982 profits of about £85m.

ECONOMIC VIEW

Little hope for base rate cut

Last week's unexpectedly high public borrowing outcome for 1982-83 has added force to the authorities' concern over what is happening to the money supply. Despite the drop in inflation to a 15-year low, domestic factors do not favour a further reduction in interest rates. Events across the Atlantic offer little hope either, with anxiety about Treasury funding needs keeping interest rates high.

Although sterling is expected to remain firm in the near future, it would need a significant strengthening to encourage the authorities to cut interest rates and this depends critically on a weaker dollar.

The most interesting sets of figures out this week are the CBI's April Industrial Trends Survey, released tomorrow, and the March trade figures published on Friday.

CBI leaders have already hinted that the April survey will show further improvements in business prospects and confidence.

The trade figures in the first two months of this year have, however, been disappointing with a big deficit on the current account instead of the modest surplus the Treasury is predicting for the year as a whole.

Friday's figures will be closely scrutinized for signs of a continuing import surge as the British economy picks up.

City forecasts of the current account in March range from a small deficit to a surplus of up to £400m.

Other economic indicators published this week include fourth quarter institutional investment and new vehicle registrations (today); first quarter bricks and cement production (tomorrow); new construction orders for February and the Department of Employment's *Gazette* (Wednesday); and February energy trends and January/February overseas travel and tourism (Thursday).

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STOCK EXCHANGES

FT Index: 688
FT Gilts: 81.24
FT All Share: 436.04
Bargains: 25,782
Tring Hall USM Index: 182.7

Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones Average, 8,563.12
Hongkong: Hang Seng Index, 1,006.53
New York: Dow Jones Average 1,196.30

(Friday's close).

CURRENCIES

LONDON
Sterling $1.5455
Index 83.2
DM 3.7875
FrF 11.3450
Yen 366.25
Dollar
Index 122.4
DM 2.4475
Gold
$437.50

NEW YORK
Gold $438
Sterling $1.5480
(Friday's close).

INTEREST RATES

Domestic rates:
Base rate 10
3 month interbank $10\frac{3}{8}$-$10\frac{1}{4}$

Euro-currency rates:
3 month dollar $9\frac{1}{8}$-$9\frac{1}{4}$
3 month DM $5\frac{1}{4}$-$4\frac{15}{16}$
3 month FrF $13\frac{1}{4}$-13

ECGD Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period March 2 to April 5, 1983 inclusive: 10.974 per cent.

BOARD MEETINGS

TODAY – Interims: S Lyles. **Finals:** Bodycot International, A Caird, Hammerson Property Investment and Development Corporation, Hoskins & Horton, I & J Hyman, Mite Corporation (AMD), Petocron Group, Renown Incorporated, Simon Engineering, United Friendly Insurance, Viking Resources, Wingate Property Investments.

TOMORROW – Interims: Dunton Group, Energy Capital, New Australia Investments, Safeguard Industrial Investments. **Finals:** Clement Clarke (Holdings), Clive Discount, EIS Group, English National Investment Company, Flight Refuelling, John Menzies, Pedang Senang Rubber, S Pearson & Son, Rush & Tompkins, H C Slingsby, Solicitors' Law Stationery Society, Tarmac, Turriff Corporation.

WEDNESDAY – Interims: British Assets Trust, London Provincial Shop Centres, North British Properties, Union Carbide Corporation (1st qtr). **Finals:** BSG International, Carpets International, De Vere Hotels, Lilleshall Co, Marlborough Property Holdings, James Neill, Shiloh, Telephone Rentals, Thomson T-Line Caravans.

THURSDAY – Interims: Audio Fidelity, Hawkins & Tipson, Hoover (qtr), ICI (1st qtr), Pochin's, Samuel Properties, S Simpson. **Finals:** Aero Needles Group, Blue Circle Industries, Boosey & Hawkes, Davies & Newman, Downibrae Holdings, Farnell Electronics, Francis Industries, John Laing, Office & Electronic Machines, Silentnight Holdings, Whatman Reeve Angel, George Wimpey, Wire & Plastic Products, Yule Catto & Co.

FRIDAY – Finals: Henry Boot & Sons, Sir Joseph Causton & Sons, Clayton, Sons & Co (Holdings), N Cole, Hopkinsons Holdings, IMI, Liberty Group, Long & Hambly, Pentland Industries, Sunlight Service Group.

Sinclair may go public

Sinclair Research and Acorn Computers could both go public this year on the back of staggering growth in the home computer market, according to stockbrokers Henderson Crosthwaite. The market has grown from nothing to £90m in two years and the brokers expect home computer sales to grow at 50 per cent compound until 1985 even though the United Kingdom now has more computers per head than any other nation. However, competition and lower costs will trim growth in the value of these sales to around 33 per cent a year.

● **PROFITS DOUBLE:** Pergamon Press, Mr Robert Maxwell's private company which owns 78 per cent of British Printing and Communications Corporation, reported more than doubled profits from £14.4m to £29.5m last year. Excluding BPCC, Pergamon improved from £5.7m to £9.7m helped by a £2.2m turnround to profits of £1.6m on dealings in government stocks.

● **OPTIMISTIC VIEW:** Lord Aldington, chairman of Sun Alliance and London Insurance Group, says the insurance industry's trading prospects in many of its markets continue to be unsatisfactory. However, in the annual report today, he says there are a few signs that more sensible and responsible views are prevailing in falling rates of inflation and in reinsurance markets.

Sterling 'may rise to $1.70 this year'

By Our Financial Staff

An early Conservative election victory would give a big boost to sterling and the pound could rise to $1.70 against the dollar in the second half of this year, according to James Capel, stockbrokers.

However, sterling is likely to be subject to bouts of nervousness until the election, the stockbroker says in the latest edition of its *International Bond and Currency Review.*

Its expects greater stability in the oil market after August and the dollar to be generally weak later in the year. On this basis, sterling could strengthen to $1.60 and up to $1.70 if the Government is returned.

Apart from uncertainties over the election, the months ahead are likely to be nervous. James Capel says the present Opec pricing structure could come under threat up to August because of seasonally weak demand. A $25 a barrel oil price is possible and this could push sterling down to between $1.40 and $1.45.

Thereafter rising inventories and recovery in the world economy should help to underpin the oil market and sterling could rise against a weakening dollar. But its effective exchange rate could still weaken because the traditional hard currencies will benefit more from the dollar's decline, James Capel say.

The brokers are cautious about prospects for British interest rates. They say short-term United States rates are likely to remain stable for a couple of months but a firm pound could still allow another half-point cut in bank base rates to 9.5 per cent before the end of next month.

Capel expect only a slow world recovery by historical standards, with output rising by 3 per cent on average and inflation by about 5 per cent in the main industrialized countries.

● Further evidence of recovery in Britain is expected from the Confederation of British Industry, which publishes its April Trends Survey this week. The results are expected to show more companies reporting bigger order books and greater optimism over rising output.

Hammer in $600,000 salary deal

By Jonathan Davis

Dr Armand Hammer, the American oil magnate and art collector who made his first million more than 50 years ago, has demonstrated yet again that he has no intention of giving up the gentle art of earning money.

Although he is only one month short of his 85th birthday, the good doctor has signed a remarkable employment agreement with his company, Occidental Petroleum, that will guarantee him work and a salary of at least $600,000 (£390,000) a year until February 1989, when he will be in his 91st year.

After 1989, the agreement will be renewable automatically every year, unless either the company of the then nonagenarian Dr Hammer gives six-month notice that it is time to end the working partnership.



Hammer: the gentle art of earning money.

If he retires, Dr Hammer will still be entitled to a salary euqivalent to half his previous year's income until he dies. It will be index-linked to changes in the Consumer Price Index, but only – a characteristic touch this – if the index goes up, not if it falls.

Dr Hammer has been chairman and chief executive officer of Occidental since 1957, when he bought into the sleepy $34,000 Californian oil company as a means, so the story goes, of earning some tax write-offs in his retirement by drilling a few dry holes.

This ploy, as is now well known, proved a spectacular flop, when Occidental discovered oil not only in California, but subsequently also in huge quantites in Libya and the North Sea.

Apart from his other sources of private wealth, Dr Hammer – believed to be the only capitalist whose office has signed photographs of both Lenin and Ronald Reagan, reflecting his lifelong devotion to furthering trade with the Soviet Union – owns 1,160,010 shares in Occidental.

At Friday's closing price of $20⅛, they are worth about £23m.

Network extension too costly

Midland halts plans for separate personal and company services

By Peter Wilson-Smith, Banking Correspondent

Midland Bank has called to a halt its ambitious branch network reorganization, aimed at dividing up the market between personal and corporate customers. The high cost of implementing the strategy has forced a rethink, and plans to extend the reorganization nationwide have been put on ice.

The bank's decision marks an important policy change which could have a significant bearing on how the other big banks decide to adapt their costly branch networks to meet future needs.

Midland has been one of the pioneers among the big clearers in moving towards market segmentation and satellite branching in the United Kingdom. It set up a corporate finance division in 1975 to deal with its biggest corporate customers and since 1978 has been establishing area offices which cater for the needs of business and are surrounded by satellite branches devoted to personal customers.

So far 55 area offices have been established. They handle corporate business for 430 service branches, or about a fifth of the bank's branch network.

Although a few more area offices may be set up on a very selective basis two more will be opened in London this year – the expense involved has deterred Midland from going ahead further except in the big regional centres where customers require a high degree of financial sophistication.

Some smaller businesses have also taken against the system and it has taken time for the area offices to justify their cost in terms of attracting new business. There is no intention of putting the policy into reverse, however, and the existing area offices are counted a success.

The other big banks have all been experimenting, with similar changes to their branch structure, although on a much smaller scale. Barclays has set up a large branch in Milton Keynes, with a team of experts handling corporate work in the Luton area for about 70 branches and has several other experimental corporate branches. It is also undertaking a major survey of its branch network before deciding how far to continue down this route.

National Westminster also has a pilot scheme, started in Plymouth in 1980 and now extended to several other big towns such as Bradford and Southend, involving a large branch headed by a chief manager which puts the emphasis on corporate business, leaving surrounding branches free to deal with personal customers. Lloyds is also dipping its toe in the water with a similar experiment after abandoning an earlier satellite banking trial 10 years ago.

The huge costs of running the branch network, and the problem of meeting the different needs of corporate and personal customers, lie behind the moves.

Societies back joint cash-point

Building societies have voted overwhelmingly in favour of a shared cash-dispenser network for customers in a questionnaire from the Building Societies Association and the system could go ahead this year. However, no decision has been taken on whether the societies should set up their own network or join forces with other financial institutions such as the banks.

WHOSE FAULT WAS INFLATION ?

Prices over seven centuries*

*For Southern England sources: E. H. Phelps Brown and Sheila V. Hopkins, "Seven Centuries of the Prices of Consumables compared with Builders' Wage Rates", Economica, Nov. 1956, and Employment Gazette, HMSO

Keynes

Period of debased silver 1542-1600 · Gold payments suspended 1797-1816 · Gold payments suspended 1914-1925 · Gold payments suspended 1932

25,000 · 20,000 · 15,000 · 10,000 · 5,000 — 1300 · 1400 · 1500 · 1600 · 1700 · 1800 · 1981

Public and private inflation

Thatcher

Public sector prices (16.6% pa) · All items (10.6% pa) · Private sector prices (7.6% pa)

July 1979 = 100 — 170 · 160 · 150 · 140 · 130 · 120 · 110 · 100 — July 1979 · Jan 1980 · Jan 1981 · Jan 1982 · Jan

Price of Keynes

By Graham Searjeant

You can prove all sort of things with statistics, and they are even more convincing as charts. Hence, Mr Peter Smith, a Southampton University lecturer, reproducing a long-run price chart in the latest *Journal of Economic Affairs* (top) shows "more statlingly than could words, the inflationary effects of Keynes' economic thought".

Over seven centuries, prices in Southern England apparently rose by 29,309 per cent. No less than 95.9 per cent of the entire inflation has taken place since 1936, the year in which John Maynard Keynes published the General Theory.

That is interesting to know. But such charts always exaggerate the importance of later periods. If the chart had been drawn to end in the 1820s or 1920s, we might have concluded that respectively, Napoleon or Mr Prinzip, the assassin of Sarajevo, were responsible for most of history's inflation.

Alternatively, Mrs Thatcher could be to blame. In an adjoining article, Mr Ronald Halstead, managing director of the Beecham group, attacks Mrs Thatcher for failing to control prices

He praises the Government for bringing "a breath of competitive fresh air to the whole private sector". As a result, private sector inflation has fallen much lower than the retail price index might indicate. "As an employer of the public sector, however, the Government has been a failure".

"Physician heal thyself" Mr Halstead concludes.

£35m bid for Key Markets

By Our Financial Staff

An important force in supermarket retailing may be created this week if Safeway, the American stores chain, seals the purchase of Key Markets, a subsidiary of Fitch Lovell.

Reports at the weekend said that agreement had been reached in principle for Safeway to pay around £35m for the 106 Key Markets stores. This would produce a combined group with more than 200 units and annual sales of more than £800m.

Last year, Safeway produced profits of £17m on sales of £500m: Key Markets stores lost money. Although the combined group would still be small compared to, say, Sainsbury, it could be a significant force if Safeway were to raise Key Markets to its level of profitability.

The proposed sale could meet opposition from Linfood, the food chain which has in limbo an £82m bid for the entire Fitch Lovell chain. The Monopolies and Mergers Commission has been considering the implications of such a deal. The Commission's report is believed to have gone to Lord Cockfield, Secretary of State for Trade, last week and his decision on whether to accept its recommendations will probably come before the end of next month.

Should Linfood be allowed to proceed with a bid, then it might well object to the proposed sale, though its scope *for effective resistance might* be limited.

Fierce haggling over export credits likely

By Our Banking Correspondent

European governments are to press for a semi-automatic system to help set minimum interest rates on finance for big export contracts. The move will be made at this week's meeting in Paris of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development.

Negotiations start today on changes to the export credit consensus – *the gentlemen's* agreement between the big industrial countires concerning the level of subsidized interest rates on export credits.

At present, rates range from 10 per cent on export credits for poor, importing countries to 12.4 per cent for rich countries. However, since these rates were set, world interest rates have fallen about 2 per cent, cutting the element of official subsidy.

Fierce haggling is expected among OECD countries on how much consensus rates should be altered to reflect the fall. However, five European countries, including Britain, have become disgruntled with the annual battle over the consensus and are likely to oppose any change – unless a semi-automatic system is agreed.

The British Treasury, which spent a record £587m in 1981-2 subsidizing export credits through the Export Credits Guarantee Department would also like subsidies eliminated eventually. However, Britain is likely to push this week for a compromise reduction of 1 per cent for poor and intermediate countries and ½ per cent for rich countries.

Move to simplify accounts



Joel Barnet: difficult to read.

The Association of Certified Accountants is launching a high-level research project on central government accounting to consider if the mass of financial information can be presented in a form that more people, including MPs, might understand.

Mr Joel Barnett, former chief secretary to the Treasury and head of the research project steering group, said that "financial information presented by central government now is so obscure that it is difficult to know what is happening".

At the moment, central government spending plans are detailed through the supply estimates and the result reported in the various appropriation accounts

Mr Barnett, who is now *chairman of the Commons* Public Accounts Committee, said: "The documents are bulky and very difficult to read, so that parliamentary control of the way public expenditure is planned and monitored is inhibited. As a result, public debate about government expenditure is not as well informed as it ought to be and parliametary control is weakened".

US stake in Minet leads to review

By Andrew Cornelius

The ruling council of the Lloyd's insurance market is planning to investigate the question of ownership of Lloyd's brokers by insurance companies at a meeting to be held next month.

It follows the disclosure that a US insurance group has acquired a near 25 per cent stake in Minet Holdings, the British insurance broking firm.

Sir Peter Green, the chairman of Lloyd's, wrote to Mr Ray Pettit, chairman of Minet, earlier this week to give a warning that Minet may not be allowed to place business within the Lloyd's market if St Paul Companies, the US group, increases its stake in Minet beyond 25 per cent.

Minet had sought advice on the matter from Lloyd's after St Paul announced that it had increased its holding in Minet from 19.97 per cent to 24.96 per cent.

Sir Peter said in his letter that the question of ownership of Lloyd's brokers has been reviewed on several occasions.

He said that the position had not changed since he advised Mr John Wallock, the former chairman of Minet,

Slough confident of further profits rise

By Our Financial Staff

Mr Nigel Mobbs, chairman of Slough Estates, says he is "confident that we will be reporting a further advance in profit" for 1983. The company's annual report, published this morning, shows that profits rose from £13.4m to £16.1m last year even though it was a year of recession in all the countries in which the specialist industrial estates group operates. And its vacanct rate in the predominant United Kingdom business rose from 6.7 per cent to 9.6 per cent.

The book value of Slough's property portfolio edged up £19m to £498m, but this includes new additions offset by a deficit of £12m on revaluations.

This reflects "a generally, but hopefully a temporary, weaker demand for industrial and commercial premises, reduced rental growth and an upward movement in investment yields," Mr Mobbs says. It leaves the company's asset value unchanged at 175p per share

City Comment

Unwanted financial bloodletting

It was inevitable at some stage that attempts by the banks to sort out international debt problems with the minimum fuss would make them look a soft touch and lead to charges that responsible western countries are simply bailing out irresponsible developing nations that are their own worst enemies.

Would a little bit of financial blood in the streets not concentrate the minds of governments and financiers alike?

Six American economists with access to the right ears in Washington have now come out into the open on this. In an article in today's *Journal of Economic Affairs,* they argue *that such bail-outs merely* benefit "both creditors and debtors at the expense of the ordinary citizen".

They say there is no justification for lending more to countries such as Poland and Mexico "without a clear understanding that a debtor nation's policy, if pernicious, will be substantially changed." Otherwise, the banks should bit the bullet

This is a silly idea. To start with, it is wholly ideological.

More important, proponents of private enterprise, who effectively prevented international agreement on recycling and left it to the banks, cannot now complain if the banks work according to what they see as their interests.

NEDC reaffirms call for public procurement policy

Blueprint to boost electronics

By Bill Johnstone
Electronics Correspondent

THE PERFORMANCE OF THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY
£000m at current prices

UK MARKET · OUTPUT OF UK INDUSTRY · IMPORTS · Trade deficit · EXPORTS

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Product development and exports by the electronics industry could benefit a great deal from a public procurement policy, the Government has been told by the National Economic Development Council.

A NEDC working party headed by Sir Henry Chilver, published the *Policy for United Kingdom Electronics Industry* in April last year. It has now brought its report up to date and once more emphasized that the Government had a crucial role to play.

It concluded: "The public sector as a whole probably accounts for half the United Kingdom business of United Kingdom companies and procurement practices can have a significant impact on product development strategies and on exports. Fuller and more evident implementation of the Government's stated policy on procurement is therefore urgent and vital".

The total output of Britain's electronic industry by 1980 was about £7,700m and the industry employed about 500,000 people. Consumer electronics and information technology was to produce a combined trade deficit of £500m. Employment has dropped since then and the trade deficit has grown.

A public procurement policy, Chilver maintained was still the key to revitalizing the British electronics, which last year he concluded was in relative decline. He said: "A continuation of current trends would imply a further decline in the United Kingdom share of the world market and an equivalent loss of trade, profit and job opportunities".

In another report from the NEDC published two weeks ago, Sir Ieuan Maddock accused defence chiefs of wasting technological innovation and not passing the benefits on to the civil market and also called for a procurement policy. The report, *Civil Exploitation of Defence Technology* concluded: "There may be some who are content to see the UK become a technological colony of large offshore companies who will determine what products are made and where and when and *how high or low the national* standard of living should be."

INVESTORS' NOTEBOOK ● USM REVIEW

Hopping on to capital springboard

During his three-year spell in the hot seat at Hygena, the kitchen furniture group, Mr Bill Rooney saw profits grow from £7m to £23m.

Now he is hoping for a similar result from his own company **Spring Ram**, which he has brought to the market and which begins trading on Unlisted Securities Market today. Broker Panmure Gordon has placed 21.47 per cent of the company, amounting to 2.3 million shares with clients.

The placing price of 105p puts the group on a prospective earnings multiple of 22.3, yielding 4.1 per cent on the forecast dividend of 3.0p. At this level, the group is capitalized at £11m making it one of the top dozen companies quoted on the USM.

Spring Ram was formed three years ago and manufactures kitchen and bathroom equipment. It already accounts for 15 per cent of acrylic bath sales, which totalled 834,000 units last year.

Mr Rooney has wasted little time in collecting together an experienced management team and developed a sophisticated marketing system – something unknown before among bathroom and kitchen manufacturers. But strong internal growth will be required if this management expertise is to be fully utilized.

Pretax profits have grown from £164,000 to more than £1m on turnover up from £1.2m to £7.6m.

"We saw a hole in the middle range of the market and made it ours", Mr Rooney says.

The group has not made a profits forecast for the current year, but says an "encouraging start" has been made. A figure of £1.5m at the pretax level would seem well within the group's capabilities. "There are over 12 million private householders in this country and we only require a small slice of it to see the profits come rolling in", Mr Rooney added.

The market expects the shares to open at between the 135p and 150p level. Brokers Simon & Coates last week finally released details of their placing of 827,000 shares at 94p in the electronic equipment rental group. At this level the entire group is valued at £3.2m. The group comes to market on a prospective fully taxed ratio of 25.4 times earnings, yielding 3 per cent on the forecast 2p dividend.

Since its foundation four year ago profits have grown from £28,000 to £260,000 on turnover up from £189,000 to £1.5m. Mr David Rennie, chairman and founder, started the company with a £90,000 loan from the Co-operative Insurance Society that has now been paid back – a year ahead of schedule.

Microlease's clientele is impressive, but with the group's reliance on the fashionable and fast growing high technological market, Mr Rennie and his colleague's will have their work cut out monitoring aging hardware and replacement levels.

Dealings also start today in **Mnemos**, the high technology group, and an offshoot of Combined Technology, which was itself once controlled by Tricentrol to handle its non-oil interests. About 15 million shares in the new company are being offered to institutions and existing shareholders in Comtach at 62p.

Another newcomer is **Strikes**, the London hamburger restaurant chain, 90 per cent owned by Comfort Hotels. Dealings in the 600,000 shares placed by brokers Vickers da Costa start today at 47p. Last year the group, with 23 outlets, made profits of £648,000 on turnover of £5.03m.

Two new companies are also hoping to make their debut on the USM next month via a placing. The first **Mellerware International** is being introduced to the market by brokers Margetts & Addenbrooke East Norton, who will be called on to place about 25 per cent of the company.

Finally, broker Laurence Prust intend to swell the growing ranks of high technology companies by introducing **Micro Focus**, the software group which specializes in writing programmes for computer programmers for use on micro computers. The group boasts 100 per cent annual growth, and last year reported profits of £800,000 on £5m turnover.

Licensed dealer Hill Woolgar has announced a placing of 900,000 shares in **Mercantoil**, the sea bed survey, mapping and oil and gas systems supplier to the offshore oil and petrochemical industries.

Also looking for a USM listing is **Securiguard Group**, the office cleaning and security group. Broker Phillips & Drew is expected to release details of the placing later this week.

Michael Clark

Unlisted Securities

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div yld %	P/E
12.3m	A & G Security	250	.	2.6	1.0	47.3
872.000	Acsis Jewel	18	-1	5.3	29.4	..
7.932.000	Aerospace Eng	167	-5	13.9b	8.3	10.1
10.3m	Aidcom Int	86	-3	0.9	1.0	64.2
12.2m	Air Call	318	-15	8.0	2.5	13.9
16.0m	Airship Ind	128	-4	.	.	.
5.696.000	Anglo Nordic	35	-1½	2.9	8.3	10.3
48.0m	Asprey & Co	£8	-½	21.4	2.7	18.6
22.5m	Baltic Leasing	241	..	4.0	1.7	36.0
4.039.000	Bensons Crisps	99	-4	2.7	2.7	24.8
3.043.000	Berkeley & HH	10½	-½			
3.972.000	Berkley Exp	80	-3	.	..	.
23.6m	Bespak	225	..	3.6n	1.6	39.4
15.0m	Bio-Isolates	195	-35			
4.712.000	Black M.	126	-4	4.3b	3.4	20.0
1.374.000	Booth C	18 f	.			
7.500.000	Breville Europe	45	-6	7.0b	15.6	4.2
3.080.000	Bryant D	140	-10	7.5b	5.4	.
8.867.000	Bula Resources	9½	..			
5.573.000	Business Comp	95	+10	1.4	1.5	16.6
667.000	CAMRA	115		3.6	3.1	11.7
45.4m	Candecca Res	156	+8		..	..
4.966.000	Canvermoor	120	-13	5.2b	4.3	..
9.625.000	Cass Grp	175	.	3.6	2.0	27.0
3.900.000	Ciro	125	-3	2.9	2.3	16.3
1.496.000	City Site Est	41	+1	0.7	1.7	82.0
5.818.000	Cluff Oil	51	-2	..	..	..
5.425.000	Do B	45		..	..	..
73.8m	Clyde Petrol	88	+5	0.9	1.0	..
3.150.000	Coleman Milne	63	-5	3.1b	3.4	19.1
2.079.000	Consults (C&F)	210	..	3.0	1.4	2.5
6.139.000	C'nll Microwave	610	-50		..	18.3
9.676.000	Cornell Hldgs	168	+3	..	..	..
2.529.000	Cramphorn	£10½		28.6	2.7	12.0
3.716.000	Crest Int Sec	10½ h	..	0.4	4.1	11.4
6.240.000	De Brett A	78	..	3.6	4.6	15.2
1.537.000	Delmar Grp	31	-1	2.4	7.7	.
8.591.000	Dencora	71	+2	. b		39.4
15.6m	Druck Hldgs	313	..	1.6	0.5	38.5
1.430.000	Dunton Grp	12½	+½	..	..	59.5
1.311.000	Ecobric Hldgs	113	..	15.0	13.3	14.5
9.289.000	Edinburgh Sec	95	..	0.2	0.2	
14.8m	Eldridge Pope	707	+5	15.5	2.2	19.6
4.038.000	Energy Finance	41	+3	1.9	4.6	7.1
4.209.000	Equipu	95	-5	4.6	4.8	9.7
4.548.000	Exeter Building	155		10.0	6.5	5.6
16.0m	FKI Elec	23	-1	0.3b	1.3	.
18.0m	Feedback	215	..	2.9	1.3	30.8
600.000	First Talisman	28	..	..	..	..
14.3m	Fitch & Co.	290	-5	4.0b	1.4	36.3
12.2m	Floyd Oil	101	-2	..e	..	..
23.4m	Fuller Smith	£11¼	+1¼	12.9	1.1	26.6
5.655.000	Garfunkels	121	+4	1.4b	1.2	29.7
6.706.000	Good Relations	201	+1	5.0	2.5	32.1
8.238.000	Grainger Tst	190	..	5.4b	2.9	..
1.162.000	Greenwich Cable	43		..	..	..
877.000	Guernsey At Sec	130	+6	..	..	86.5
3.609.000	HB Electronics	90	-5	1.6	1.8	17.0
2.681.000	Hadland Hldgs	84	..	3.6	4.3	..
44.6m	Hadson Pet	72	+4	..b		..
2.600.000	Hardanger Prop	130	-5	14.0n	10.8	3.3
1.822.000	Hartons Grp	8½	..	..	..	5.3
1.477.000	Harvey & Thomp	47	-1	..e	..	
4.337.000	Hayters	185	-5	15.0	8.1	8.9
1.891.000	Heelamat Hldgs	61	..	8.0	13.1	6.0
2.971.000	Humberside Elec	23	-1	0.0	..	21.1
12.6m	Hunterprint	153	..	2.9b	1.9	13.4
5.612.000	ICC Oil	25½	-1	0.0b	..	..
11.6m	Im Bus Systems	215	r -13	..	..	..
3.019.000	Ind Fin & Inv	100	-10	2.9b	2.9	25.6
7.155.000	Inn Leisure	34	-2	0.6	1.8	30.1
9.000.000	Int'europe Tech	180	..	5.7b	3.2	27.6
7.252.000	Intervision Vid	36	-5	1.4	4.0	..
2.670.000	KCI	49		2.3b	4.7	5.9
992.000	Jayplant	28	-1			
28.8m	Jebsens Drill	180	+35	25.0b	13.9	2.9
15.2m	Johnstone Paints	145	+10	5.4	3.7	18.9
33.1m	Kean & Scott	59	+2	1.4n	2.4	12.3
7.471.000	Kennedy Brookes	193	+5	1.8	0.9	10.9
6.900.000	Leisure Ind	345	+9	8.6b	2.5	16.3
819.000	Ldn & Man Secs	20	-1	..	..	..
3.576.000	Do 10p Ord	20	-1	..	..	..
254.000	Ldn Cont Adv	36	-2	0.3	0.8	12.7
5.400.000	Do 8p Ord	36	-2	..	..	..
1.320.000	Ldn Priv Health	33	-2	..	..	16.5
6.500.000	Lorin Elec	130	+14	1.4b	1.1	33.9
41.4m	McCarthy Stone	496	+5	5.7b	1.1	28.6
5.870.000	McLaughlin & H	145	-5	9.1	6.3	7.4
9.250.000	Memory Comp	185	-30	2.6b	1.4	26.2
7.506.000	Merrydown Wine	530	-25	4.3	0.8	..
5.387.000	Metal Bulletin	123		8.1	6.6	11.9
19.0m	Micro Business	280	-20	3.2b	1.1	20.9
1.161.000	Microfilm Reprg	43	..	3.6n	8.3	..
9.575.000	Microgen Hldgs	328	+10	5.7b	1.7	33.8
2.686.000	Midland Marts	83	+3	5.7	6.9	8.7
3.948.000	Miles 33	188	+2	2.9	1.5	39.2
1.459.000	Miss World	128	-13	4.3b	3.4	16.0
688.000	Morland Sec	47	..	2.9	6.1	12.8
450.000	Morley (RH)	18	..	..	..	..
6.333.000	Munford & White	215	+10	3.7b	1.7	34.1
8.296.000	NMW Computers	193	-7	5.7	3.0	18.3
11.9m	New Ct Nat Res	36	..	1.4	4.0	14.2
85.6m	Nimslo Int	78	-7	..e	..	..
6.240.000	O.R.E.	222	..	..	..	..
15.1m	Oilfield Inspec	215	-15	3.0b	1.4	20.7
12.3m	Owners Abroad	24	-1	0.7	3.0	1.1
360.000	Parkfield Fndry	12	..	..e	..	..
3.300.000	Pict Petrol	55	-3	..	..	..
2.160.000	Pineapple Dance	108	-5	8.0b	7.4	12.3
3.433.000	Radio City	158	..	8.0b	5.1	18.3
4.102.000	Ramus Hldgs	95	-1	7.1	7.5	16.1
1.107.000	Reliant Motor	20	-1	..	..	5.3
16.8m	Resource Tech	187	-10	..b	..	31.2
2.846.000	Rivlin ID&S	35	+2	0.1b	0.4	..
2.875.000	Rolfe & Nolan	115	-5	3.6	3.1	12.7
7.375.000	Ruddle (G.)	156	..	4.7b	3.0	18.4
1.387.000	Sampang (Java)	19		..	..	..
22.3m	Saxon Oil	150	h -5	..	..	39.3
3.825.000	Scan Data	170	+10	2.9	1.7	1.4
5.016.000	Selec TV	38	-6			
6.259.000	Sheldon Jones	121	-4	5.7	4.7	9.3
5.243.000	Sheraton Sec	14		..	..	..
2.535.000	Sinclair W.	80	-3	0.0	..	..
1.188.000	Do Dfd	78	-2	0.1	0.2	..
9.164.000	Slaters Food	158	+2	2.9b	1.8	31.8
16.6m	S.W.Resources	17	+½	0.8	4.6	30.4
83.5m	Sovereign Oil	232	-2	..	..	..
625.000	Staneico	46	-2	..	..	..
1.190.000	Swindon Pr Hosp	85	-9	..	..	..
4.725.000	Technofan SA	£315	-10	1773	5.6	12.4
5.179.000	Tel Serv Int	23½	..	0.1	0.6	6.8
8.026.000	Television Sth	33	..			
3.312.000	Thames Inv & Sec	87	..	7.4	8.5	10.7
1.547.000	Thorpac	67	..	2.7	4.1	8.6
3.000.000	Tops Estates	60	+2			
1.575.000	Trident Comp	63	..	2.1	3.4	13.2
6.824.000	Twinlock	31	..	1.3	4.2	9.0
969.000	Utd Ceramic	40	-4	4.3	10.7	12.3
3.974.000	Utd Electronic	41	-1	0.8	2.0	36.9
34.2m	Utd Friendly	226	..	12.6	5.6	..
3.537.000	Utd Packaging	105	..			
1.980.000	V.W.	36	-1	5.5b	15.2	2.9
1.720.000	Webber Electro	172	+2	5.0	2.9	9.8
9.897.000	Wight Collins R S	309	..	6.9b	2.2	43.8
574.000	Willaire Syst	5	-1	..	..	11.9
13.8m	Wingate Prop	105		..	..	71.9
4.736.000	Yelverton Inv	70	+3			
2.432.000	Yorkgreen Inv	38	-4	2.0b	5.3	14.4
780.000	York Mount	78	-2	5.9	7.5	2.1
2.775.000	Zygal Dynamics	75	..	1.1	1.4	11.2

• Ex dividend. a Ex all. b Forecast dividend. c Corrected price. e Interim payment passed. f Price at suspension. g Dividend and yield exclude a special payment. h Bid for company. k Pre-merger figures. n Forecast earnings. p Ex capital distribution. r Ex rights. s Ex scrip or share split. t Tax free. y Price adjusted for late dealings. .. No significant data.

Eurobond prices (yields and premiums)

STRAIGHT DEBT	Price	YTM
Ford 16¼ 1984	104.75	9.25
C.B.I.C. 14¾% 1984	103.88	9.69
Wells Fargo 15¾% 1984	105.75	9.86
Continental Illinois 14¾% 1984 (EW)	105.75	9.93
G.M.A.C. 16¾% 1984	108.13	10.34
G.M.A.C. 15¾% 1985	108.25	10.35
Elf Aquitaine 8¾% 1985	95.38	10.36
J. C. Penny 13¼% 1985	105.25	10.47
I.B.M. World Trade 14¾% 1985	106.50	11.26
A.R.D.B. 13% 1986	105.25	10.80
Mobile Expl. 13¾% 1986	105.13	10.55
Citicorp 10% 1986	99.75	10.06
Southern California Edison 16¾% 1986	109.25	13.23
R.C.A 15¾% 1987	106.00	13.29
Japan Development Bank 15¼% 1987	113.50	10.96
Occidental 16¼% 1987	109.50	13.38
World Bank 10¼% 1987	99.75	10.24
Amoco U.K. 13¾% 1988	104.38	11.94
Repsol 11¼% 1988	91.50	13.86
Montana Power 15¾% 1988	109.00	12.64
Western Mining 15¼% 1988	108.50	13.22
Alcoa Australia 16% 1989	110.50	13.25
Coca Cola 11¾% 1989	105.50	10.80
Electricite de France 11¼% 1990	99.38	11.37
E.I.B. 13¾% 1990	107.25	12.14
United Biscuits 11% 1990	97.00	11.61
Ontario Hydro 13¼% 1991	111.50	11.20
E.I.B. 16¼% 1991	118.25	13.03
Nat West 14¾% 1991	116.63	11.87
Barclays Bank 8¼% 1992	87.63	10.65
Amax 16¼% 1992	117.25	12.88
E.E.C 14¾% 1993	111.75	12.61
Dow Chemical 9¾% 1994	92.13	10.89
C.N.A. 15¼% 1995	114.00	12.98

CONVERTIBLE BONDS	Conv Price	Prem
American Express 4¼% 1987	160.00	33.14
Beatrice Foods 4¼% 1992	114.00	-0.47
Eastman Kodak 4¼% 1988 (S.A.)	103.50	21.02
Ford 5% 1988	93.00	14.39
Galveston-Houston 8% 1994	99.50	136.18
Lear Petroleum 8% 1989	90.50	22.75
Morgan J.P. 4¼% 1987	168.50	-1.64
Revlon 4¼% 1987	100.00	16.91
Sperry Rand 4¼% 1988	93.50	32.29
Warner Lambert 4¼% 1987	92.00	32.22
Xerox 5% 1988	87.00	198.75

FLOATING RATE NOTES	Price	Current Yield
Standard & Chart 1984	100.50	10.32
L.J.J. 1985	100.85	10.35
Offshore Mining 1986	100.35	9.28
Midland Bank 1987	100.80	10.11
Credit National 1988	99.20	9.26
G.Z.B. 1989	100.05	9.68
Barclays Bank 1990	101.05	10.27
B.N.P 1991	99.55	9.73
Midland Bank 1992	101.05	10.08
Chase Manhattan 1993	100.25	9.79
Nat West 1994	100.50	9.64
Barclays Bank 1995	100.05	9.83

Source: Kidder Peabody Securities Limited.

FIXED-INTEREST STOCKS

Stock	Per Cent		Buying Price	Yields Flat	GRY
DEBENTURE STOCKS					
Allied-Ly	7¼	88/93	75¾*	9.60	11.30
Bass	8¼	87/92	83	9.98	11.28
BICC	7¾	90/95	76¼	10.15	11.31
Blue Circle	9	92/97	85	10.71	11.31
Courtaulds	7	82/87	85¼	8.24	11.85
Delta Gp	10¼	95/99	91*	11.74	11.92
Eng Prop	9½	97/02	87*	11.30	11.51
Euston Cen	10.4	92/97	92	11.36	11.52
F.F.I.(UK)	7¼	89/92	77¼	9.60	11.52
Land Secs	9	96/01	81¼	11.09	11.48
MEPC	12	17	103¼	11.63	11.62
Trusthse	10¼	91/96	91¼*	11.48	11.70
UNSECURED LOANS					
Allied Ly	7¾	93/98	72¼	10.73	11.84
BOC Group	12½	12/17		9850	
Barcl Bank	16	02-07	124½*	12.78	12.49
Burmah Oil	8¼	91/96	75	11.50	12.57
Imp Brew	10½	90/95	93¼	11.50	11.87
Distillers	7¼	88/93	72¼*	9.90	11.90
Distillers	10½	93/98	91¼	11.50	11.85
Guard Roy	7	86/91	77¼	9.30	11.62
Imp Chem	7¾	86/91	77¼	9.85	12.18
Impl Chem	10¾	91/96	95¼	11.47	11.71
Imp Group	10¼	90/95	90¼*	11.55	11.91
Midl Bank	14	02/07	118	12.65	12.82
Nat West	12½	04	29¼	12.38	12.32
Reed Inter	7¾	96/01	68¼	11.00	11.80
Tilling	8¼	89/94	82	10.86	12.03
Unilever	7¾	91/06	71¼	11.15	11.55
Whitbread	7¼	95/99	66¼*	10.79	11.81
BULLDOGS					
Denmark	13	05	101¼	13.31	13.33
Elect de F	12¼	08	100¼	12.59	12.58
Hydro-Queb	12¼	15	99¼	12.95	12.94
Nova Scot	16¼	11	126¼*	13.16	13.07
CNA	16	06	130	12.81	12.88
TransCan	16¼	07	122	13.74	13.83
Cred Fonc	14¼	07	117¼	12.66	12.58
CONVERTIBLE LOANS					
BOC Group	9	01/06	171	5.227	0.1
Bell (A)	9¼	99/01	212	4.440	1.6
B.H.S.	9	92	159	5.604	6.9
Habitat M	9¼	96/01	190*	4.883	2.8
Hanson Tst	9½	01/06	197	4.857	-1.6
Imp Group	8	85/90	89¼*	9.030	1.3
Midl Bk	7¼	83/93	78¼	9.823	-1.5
Rio Tinto	9½	95/00	128¼	7.395	9.2
Thorn EMI	7	92/99	141¼	7.043	8.9
Land Secs	10	90/95	231	4.242	-1.3

* Ex Dividend
Source: Gilbert Eliott & Co

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ABN Bank	10 %
Barclays	10 %
BCCI	10 %
Consolidated Crds	10½%
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Lloyds Bank	10 %
Midland Bank	10 %
Nat Westminster	10 %
TSB	10 %
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* 7 day deposits on sums of under £10,000, 6¼%: £10,000 up to £50,000, 7¼%: £50,000 and over, 8¼%.

American notebook

Stock prices boom as Wall St waits for bumper profits

Wall Street has been going from record to record, pointing to a strong economic recovery.

Last week's report of a rise in real gross national product at an annual rate of 3.1 per cent in the first quarter sharply understates the upward trend in non-farm activity. When the effect of a drop in farm output – always hard to measure on a seasonally adjusted quarterly basis – between the fourth quarter of 1982 and the first quarter of 1983 is removed, non-farm gross domestic product rose at an annual rate of more than 5 per cent in the first quarter.

Wall Street is looking for big profit gains this year and in 1984. Many important corporations are already producing improved profits, and the big three in the car industry will show a profit of almost $1,000m in the first quarter.

IBM's profit rise of almost a quarter has led to speculation about a rise in dividend from the computer group or a new stock split. IBM's stock has been showing large gains, which indicates powerful convictions among investors.

While the economy is gaining more and more momentum, inflation remains subdued. The consumer price index rose at an annual rate of only 0.4 per cent in the first quarter of this year. The gross national product deflator showed a rise of 5.8 per cent at an annual rate when the national income figures were announced for the first quarter mid-week.

Even money supply has stopped its frantic boom. On Friday night, the Federal Reserve announced M1 had fallen $3,100m in the week to April 13 – a far bigger decline than anyone predicted. As a result of this drop, M1, is back to below where it was in the week of March 9. The fact that there has been no growth in money since early March will help to restore confidence in the financial markets and facilitate a drop in interest rates. The markets had become nervous about the money boom set in train in mid-1982.


Feldstein: call to reduce budget deficit

The Federal Reserve Bank of St Louis pointed out last week that of the decline of 606 basis points in the 30-day commercial paper rate between February 1982 and March 1983, 512 basis points took place before the end of August 1982, before the recent money boom gained any significant momentum. The bank concluded: "Since November, although M1 has continued to grow at about a 15 per cent rate, short-term rates have remained relatively stable."

If the Federal Reserve maintains the negligible money growth that has now gone on for five weeks, interest rates will probably fall accompanied by a weakening of the dollar.

Even so, the dollar may not weaken by as much as would seem justified by the weakness of the US trade balance. This is because the high level of US real interest rates provides a powerful attraction to international capital.

Mr Martin Feldstein, the chairman of the council of economic advisers, drew attention to the connexion between these high real interest rates, the strong dollar and the federal government budget deficit in a speech in Chicago in which he concluded:

"The only appropriate way to reduce our structural deficit in international trade is by reducing the budget deficit that is the basic cause. If the budget deficit is reduced, the real long-term interest rate will fall and this will reduce the pressure that keeps the dollar so high.

Deploring official intervention as a means of achieving a weaker dollar, he said: "The basic fact is that the value of the dollar can be changed only by modifying the goals for our domestic economy.

Maxwell Newton

New centre for US

By Baron Phillips

Construction and property group Taylor Woodrow plans to develop a new complex called the World Trade Centre at Tampa, Florida, through its American subsidiary at a cost of about $55m (£35.2m).

The announcement coincides with a visit from the Tampa "super task force" which is in London this week promoting the town

Taylor Woodrow proposes to build the new centre on a site close to the downtown area, the port and Tampa's international airport. Plans include almost 300,000 sq ft of offices, a 300-befroom hotel, conference and meeting rooms, retailing and a world trade club.

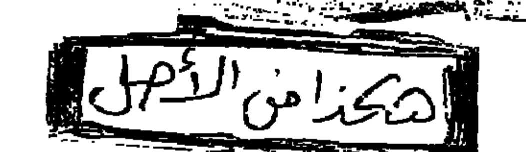
A spokesman for Taylor Woodrow said over the weekend that construction for the centre was expected to begin in about a year's time

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Capitalisation £000's	Company	Last Price	Change on week	Gross Div(p)	Y'ld %	P/E Actual	P/E Fully Taxed
4,465	Ass Brit Ind Ord	134	-1	6.4	4.8	7.8	10.2
–	Ass Brit Ind CULS	151	–	10.0	6.6	–	–
3,589	Airsprung Group	62xd	–	6.1	9.8	17.7	17.7
750	Armitage & Rhodes	30	–	4.3	14.3	3.3	5.9
19,552	Bardon Hill	320	+5	11.4	3.6	13.4	17.0
1,788	CCL 11.0% Conv Pref	143	+1	15.7	11.0	–	–
3,320	Cindico Group	210	–	17.6	8.4	–	–
3,946	Deborah Services	51	-1	6.0	11.8	3.4	9.1
5,483	Frank Horsell	97	–	–	–	8.1	8.7
–	Frank Horsell PrOrd87	95½	–	8.7	9.1	10.6	11.4
8,957	Frederick Parker	62	–	7.1	11.5	3.9	6.2
627	George Blair	34	–	–	–	5.9	12.3
3,168	Ind Prec Castings	78	-2	7.3	9.4	10.0	1260
3,936	Isis Conv Pref	164	+3	15.7	9.6	–	–
3,643	Jackson Group	144	+2	7.5	5.2	4.4	9.2
29,260	James Burrough	212	+6	9.6	4.5	15.5	17.2
1,377	Robert Jenkins	152	+2	20.0	13.2	1.7	24.1
3,660	Scruttons "A"	71	–	5.7	8.0	9.2	11.1
2,807	Torday & Carlisle	115	+1	11.4	9.9	5.2	8.8
4,082	Unilock Holdings	26	+½	0.46	1.8	–	–
8,542	Walter Alexander	67	–	6.4	9.6	4.8	6.9
6,183	W. S. Yeates	265	+1	17.1	6.5	4.1	8.5

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FOOTBALL: ENGLAND MUST REPLACE THE IRREPLACEABLE

Hobson's choice again as one Robson puts a strain on the other

By Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent

Bobby Robson is assured of completing his first year as England's manager without ever having been able to assemble his strongest side. In his six internationals so far the equivalent of almost three teams of representatives have been unavailable and over the weekend he learnt that his squad for the *important European Championship* tie against Hungary on Wednesday are again depleted.

As well as Rix, who withdrew within hours of being added to a party that were already without the injured Mariner, Hoddle and Bennett, Robson has lost two more important members. One, Bryan Robson, is irreplacable and the leading influence on the side. The other, Woodcock, is the leading goal scorer.

Five weeks ago Robson welcomed the Football League's decision to postpone the first division programme on October 8, four days before the return match against the Hungarians, but he needed that assistance even more before the home ties against Greece last month and against Denmark next September as well as now.

Brian Robson misses his third successive match. In February Shilton took over the captaincy against Wales while Robson played in Manchester United's League (Milk) Cup semi-final against Arsenal and suffered an ankle injury that *was to keep his out against* Greece. Now the problem is a groin strain, incurred during United's victory over Watford.

Woodcock, who has a similar complaint, has scored four international goals in three hours but disappointed during his renewed partnership with Francis last month. Robson, who said he wanted to select his most experienced players against Hungary, has little chance but to rewrite his teamsheet yet again.

Wilkins, with 54 caps, is even more likely to come back to the role he last filled six months agos against West Germany. His midfield colleagues during the 2-1 defeat were Armstrong, now discarded, Devonshire, Mabbutt and Hill–the last two making their first full appearances, Mabbutt going on to play in all of the next four games and Hill in none of them.

Lee, and, to a lesser extent, Cowans, have since gained their first caps and made strong claims but Wilkins has yet to play alongside either. The chances are that these three *will* line up at Wembley for the first time.

The attacking combination is unlikely to be any more familiar. Robson is left with only two choices to partner Francis, who seems sure to be picked. They are Blissett, who has spent 15 minutes in Francis's company so far, and Withe, who has played with him only once, in the 1-0 victory over Wales in last season's British championship.

While European nations are prepared to help the national cause and postpone league programmes, the home countries are forced to continue to scramble through the qualifying stages of the competitions.

The czar faces the wrath of the serfs

By Simon O'Hagan

Away from the dreaming spires and mellow charm of the quadrangles, Oxford is a bruised and bewildered city. To go there on *Saturday was almost to intrude on* private grief. A week already tainted by events at Cowley was soured still further by scenes of impassioned, and in some cases, vicious protest over the impending closure of Oxford United Football Club.

Robert Maxwell, the club chairman, may quibble at the word closure. After all, his planned

Robert Maxwell said yesterday that he would call off the proposed merger if Oxford's future could be guaranteed for five years. However, he warned any prospective buyer that £750,000 would be needed to bring the ground up to second division standard.

merger with Reading and the launching of Thames Valley United (more honest-to-goodness than "Royals") at a specially built complex in Didcot is supposed to herald a new beginning in a game collapsing under the weight of debt and financial mismanagement.

However, the economic imperitive which lies behind the move was somewhat lost on the 1,500 or so supporters (third of the attendance) who "sat-in" at the Manor Ground before the match against Wigan, chanting songs of undying love for Oxford United and fervent for reading and Mr Maxwell.

To begin with, the protest was a *model of its kind*, well-organized, good-natured and popular, both in the sense of being approved of by the silent majority and of springing from the terrace-bound supporter. Teenagers gathered excitedly on the pavement outside the London Road entrance, banners unfurled and their yellow SOS (Save Oxford Soccer) leaflets fluttering in the sunshine.

This was revolution in microcosm. For Mr Maxwell, read the cruel hand of capitalism, for the SOS committee the spontaneous people's uprising, committed to equality and "rights". "We don't have a chairman", one member said. "We want everyone to have a say. We'd rather die with pride than join up with a stupid, money-making organization like Maxwell's." But the early days of idealism and brotherhood were soon to be over.

Inside the ground, the supporters poured on to the pitch, the SOS committee having politely informed the referee and players that they would stay there until 3.15, thus delaying the match for a quarter of an hour. Most departed at the appointed time, but some 50 diehards stayed on, the number gradually dwindling to a dozen.

Public sympathy was already on the wane as 20 police officers guided the remaining protestors off the field, allowing the match to start at 3.33. Then, when Mr Maxwell took his seat in the directors' box 10 minutes later, it became clear that what he was up against was not quasi-political opposition, but root, brute football psychology.

For the rest of the half he was subjected to the kind of virulent abuse supporters usually reserve for



Pitched battle: supporters sit-in at Oxford's ground

the most despised opposition. The football was irrelevant, at least it was until Lawrence put Oxford ahead in the 41st minute. Mr Maxwell greeted the goal joyfully, waited until half-time and then left. All he will have regretted missing was a goal by Thomas after 66 minutes, giving Oxford a 2-0 win.

By the end, it was hard to know who to feel sorriest for. The players, whose mere jobs involve them in so much acrimony? Mr Maxwell, spat on, insulted, but determined to go ahead with his plans? Or the "genuine" supporter, who loves his team more dearly for knowing that football is not the most important thing in life? Next Monday, Oxford play Reading. Whatever happens on the pitch, neither side will win.

Hazell gets just ahead of Leeds new boy Ritchie

London clubs on different tracks

By Stuart Jones

Fulham 0
Leicester 1

The distance between Queen's Park Rangers, Fulham and Chelsea, covers 10 stops on the underground map, and 37 points in the second division table. The three West London clubs all went their separate ways on Saturday, yet they could find themselves standing on three different platforms next season.

Rangers will be in the first division; last year's FA Cup finalists and the only League club to be assured of promotion so far, they need only beat Wolverhampton Wanderers at home on May 7 and gain one point from their other four games to go up for the first time as champions. In 1968 and 1973 they rose as runners-up.

As champagne corks ricocheted around their dressing room to celebrate an own goal by Leeds's Hart, a sobering note was introduced two floors above. Jim Gregory, the chairman, responsible for lifting Rangers into relative prosperity as well as into the modern age, announced that he is retiring at the end of the seasop. There are plans for a consortium, led by Terry Venables, the manager, to take over.

Rangers' away record is second only to another West London representative, Wimbledon, and *they have proved* that their ability reaches far beyond the confines of their own synthetic pitch. As they are almost sure to claim the Combination league title as well, the necessary reserve strength is available and their future among the elite is likely to be as smooth as the Loftus Road surface.

Fulham will probably stay in the second division. Since November, like Rangers, they have been strong promotion candidates, but their position started to weaken, like Wolves, when they met a resurgent Leicester City. Before the fixture at the beginning of December Fulham were 13 points ahead of Leicester. After Saturday their lead was reduced effectively to one.

One cause of Fulham's fall can be traced on the graph of their leading marksmen. In the first three months Davies scored 15 goals and Coney five. In the last five months Davies has added only four and Coney's two were in cup ties.

Coney is undeniable out of form. He was eventually substituted after missing the most blatant of opportunities 15 minutes from the end.

One reason for Leicester's rise lies in the suspension of May. MacDonald moved back to become an impressive central defender, although two late and cheeky headers back to his goalkeeper frightened his manager "to death", and Daly came into midfield. In late April May still awaits a recall.

Gordon Milne believes that Leicester have been *able to relax* because they have been so far away from contention. Wilson's decisive strike in the 65th minute, after Peyton had made two notable saves and one that was scarcely credible in a match as entertaining as most in the first division, has changed all that.

Much depends on Leicester's reaction to pressure. Unbeaten for 11 matches, they hold the advantage in goal difference. They are at home to Bolton Wanderers and Burnley and away at Leeds United and Oldham. As well as entertaining Carlisle, Fulham must make three awkward journeys to Sheffield Wednesday, Rangers and Derby County.

Chelsea may be in the third division. The club with potentially the biggest support in London sank into the bottom three for the first time this season and, considering their present financial position, relegation could prove disastrous.

At least they have yet to meet three of their lowly compatriots Rotherham, Bolton and Middlesborough. Their destiny, like Rangers and Fulham, lies in their own trembling hands.

FULHAM: G Peyton; J Hopkins, K Lock, S O'Driscoll, R Brown, A Gale, G Davies, R Wilson, D Coney, (sub P Parker) R Houghton R Lewington.

LEICESTER CITY: M Wallington; P Ramsey, R Smith, K MacDonald, T English, J O'Neill, S Lynex, G Lineker, A Smith, I Wilson, G Daly. Referee: H King (Merthyr Tydfil)

Facing relegation begs a question of style

By Vince Wright

Luton Town 3
Swansea City 1

John Toshack, the Swansea City manager, came close to admitting defeat after a result which almost certainly condemned his team to second division football next season. "It's not settled yet, but if I were a betting man I would not put money on us staying up. We needed to get something from this game ", he said.

Swansea , who are holding up the first division, play three of their last four matches at home but they are seven points adrift of Manchester City, fourth from the bottom, and Luton Town, their conquerors on Saturday. Although Swansea are relative newcomers to the top grade, it is difficult to sympathize with their plight. They have offered little in terms of entertainment recently.

Luton, on the other hand, have endeared themselves to everyone with their unswerving commitment to attack; the first division would be poorer without them. Fortune is said to favour the brave, but Luton did not need luck to beat Swansea. Their irrepressible and delightfully skilful centre forward, Paul Walsh, saw to that with three goals in the second half.

Only a few weeks ago Luton were in the position that Swansea occupy now. But their manager, David Pleat, refused to panic

Luton's defence is the worst in the first division – a fact which made Swansea's cat and mouse tactics all the more puzzling. They massed in defence, allowing Hill, Horton and Turner to run the show in midfield,

Equality at *half time* was more than Swansea deserved, so it was simple justice when Walsh scored after 55 minutes with a running, leaping header which would have graced any occasion. Walsh, underlining his England international claims, turned nimbly to shoot past Sander for Luton's second goal 20 minutes later.

With five minutes remaining, Latchford's deft header from a centre by Richards gave Swansea a life-line, but before they had a chance to mount another attack Stephens and Moss combined on on the right to leave Walsh the simplest of opportunities at the near post.

Luton Town: A Godden; K Stephens, R Money, B Horton, P Elliott, M Donaghy, R Hill, T Aylott, P Walsh W Turner, D Moss.

Swansea City: C Sander; C Marustik, G Richards, J Charles, D Lewis, A Rajkovic, J Loveridge, R James, N Robinson (sub C Pascoe), R Kennedy, R Latchford. Referee: A Hamil (Wolverhampton).

Anfield, where Canaries dare

By Tom German

Liverpool 0
Norwich City 2

Whether prudence or merely shrewd business sense persuaded Liverpool to delay championship celebrations until their last home match, two weeks hence, it was a wise decision. The crown looked decidedly askew, jolted by a mix of their own detachment and Norwich City's lively intentions.

Experience has taught that there is little logic in going to Anfield to try to hide behind a protective screen. Nor is there necessarily more mileage in attempting to take on Liverpool at their own game, for their home record writes its own testimony. But Brighton, in the FA Cup, and now Norwich – both unlikely predators – have demonstrated that given the right approach and favourable circumstances, there can be reward in initiative. Pointers to a more ambitious philosophy for visitors to Merseyside, perhaps.

Liverpool were so much out of character they could not manage a shot until the second half. They seemed to want time to make up their minds and Norwich, unbeaten in eight matches, and destined to take their run to a club record of nine, were in no mood to permit it.

Watson and Walford were too quick and resolute for Liverpool's front men and Deehan and O'Neill, who did a sound job in midfield, were both involved in a frantic moment around Liverpool's goal in the first half which should have alerted the champions to problems ahead.

Deehan filtered through and aimed low and accurately. Grobbelaar's marvellously swift reaction kept the ball out; and from the corner which followed O'Neill whacked his shot against the bar.

It was a misplaced Liverpool boot which finally toppled them, though. Barham's pace took him round Kennedy and his cross – with a rub off Whelan's head en route – dropped into the jaws of Liverpool's goal where Lawrenson stabbed it over his own line in a desperate effort to get it away.

At last Liverpool were stirred, though they still had difficulty finding space. When they did, both Hodgson and Lee discovered that Woods had a safe pair of hands. Johnston, had perhaps the best chance when an awkward bounce put him clear; he intended to lob the ball over the goalkeeper, but his attempt lacked both height and power, and, again, Woods clutched it safely.

The final douche to any prospect of a party atmosphere came out of nothing as O'Neill unexpectedly despatched a shot of considerable power from 30 yards. Grobbelaar's leap was agile enough; but he could not get near it. So Norwich earned the distinction of beating Liverpool twice this season.

LIVERPOOL: B Grobbelaar; P Neal, A Kennedy, M Lawrenson, R Whelan, A Hansen, K Dalglish, S Lee, D Hodgson, C Johnston, G Souness.

NORWICH CITY: C Woods; [illegible] Haylock, G [illegible] Watson, M [illegible] Bertschin, D [illegible]

Referee: D Lloyd (Worcestershire).

A change of man

Tom Finney, the Cambridge United forward, was today drafted into Northern Ireland's squad for Wednesday's European championship game against Albania at Windsor Park, Belfast.

A change of mind

The United States Soccer Federation want FIFA to change their mind and inspect American plans for the 1986 World Cup finals. In a telephone they request "fair and equal opportunity"

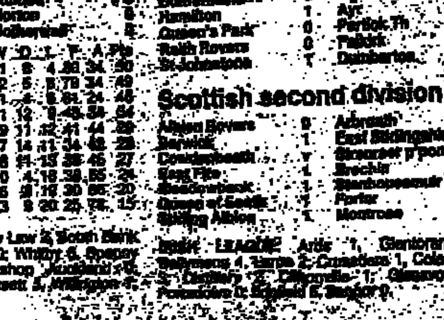
A change of luck

Ian Rush, of Wales, hopes to get the all-clear for this European championship game against Bulgaria at Wrexham on Wednesday. Today he sees a specialist about the groin strain that has kept him out.

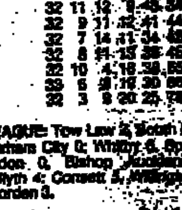
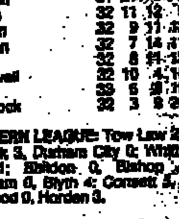
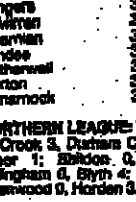
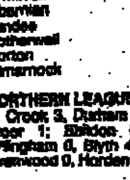
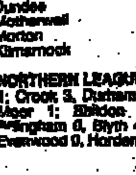
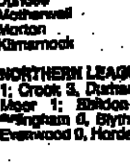
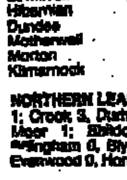
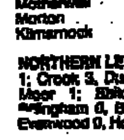
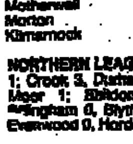
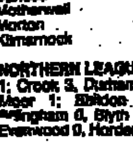
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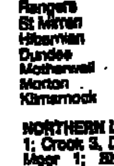
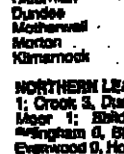
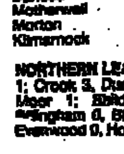
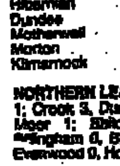
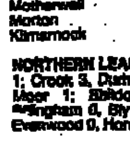
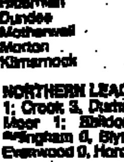
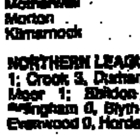
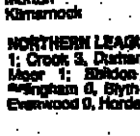








First division

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Second division

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Third division

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Fourth division

Aldershot	5	Rochdale	4
Bristol City	2	Bury	1
Hartlepool	1	Swindon	2
Hull City	1	Crewe	0
Northampton	2	Hereford	1
Peterborough	1	Darlington	1
Scunthorpe	4	Blackpool	3
Torquay	3	Mansfield	1
Tranmere	1	Halifax	2
Wimbledon	1	Port Vale	0
York City	[illegible]	Chester	0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Hull City	43	24	13	6	70	31	85
Wimbledon	41	25	10	6	81	43	85
Port Vale	41	24	9	8	62	30	81
Bury	43	22	11	10	71	42	77
Colchester Utd	42	21	9	12	66	51	72
York City	42	20	11	11	78	54	71
Scunthorpe Utd	40	19	13	8	61	38	70
Swindon Town	41	16	11	14	54	48	59
Torquay Utd	41	17	6	18	52	56	57
Mansfield	42	15	11	16	51	62	56
Peterborough	40	14	13	13	47	40	55
Stockport City	43	14	12	17	60	74	54
Chester	42	14	10	18	53	54	52
Halifax Town	41	14	10	17	52	67	52
Bristol City	42	12	16	14	54	62	52
Northn'ton T	43	12	12	19	58	71	48
Blackpool	42	12	12	18	49	63	48
Aldershot	42	10	15	17	51	72	45
Tranmere Rov's	42	12	9	21	47	69	45
Darlington	41	11	11	19	50	61	44
Rochdale	41	10	14	17	50	64	44
Crewe Alex'ra	43	11	8	24	52	66	41
Hartlepool	42	11	8	23	39	70	41
Hereford Utd	42	10	8	24	39	71	38

WESTERN LEAGUE: Premier division: Barnstaple 4, Fortway Bristol 1; Bridport 2, Weston-Super-Mare 1; Clandown 2, Plymouth Argyle Res 1; Clevedon 1, Bideford 1; Falmouth 3, Keynsham 1; Frome 2, Exmouth 1; Melksham 5, Wellington 3; Saltash United 3, Chippenham 0.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Chorley 1, Hyde 2; Gateshead 3, South Liverpool 0; Kings Lynn 1, Marine 1; Matlock 5, Worksop 1; Mossley 1, Burton Albion 1; Netherfield 0, Grantham 2; Oswestry 2, Southport 2; Witton Albion 3, Morecambe 3.

Scottish premier division

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Scottish first division

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Scottish second division

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Yesterday

CENTRAL LEAGUE: Second division: Port Vale 5, Notts County 1. Postponed: Notts County v Oldham Athletic.

ALLIANCE LEAGUE: Barrow 3, Trowbridge 2; Enfield 2, Weymouth 1.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Goole Town 0, Workington 0.

GOLF: BRITONS HOME AND DRY IN MADRID OPEN

Lyle splashes out to settle his score with Ballesteros

From John Hennessy, Golf Correspondent, Madrid

It was a day fit for neither man nor beast, and certainly not for professional golfers trying to earn an honest crust but, whatever the conditions, what can you do when the King is present (the real King, I mean, not Severiano Ballesteros) and Ballesteros himself is striving to retain his Madrid Open golf championship? There was an occasional hint of the sun, but it served only to highlight the misery of the rest of the day as the rain belted down and players contended as best they could with sodden fairways and green that had to be swept with each new group that arrived.

All that was forgotten, however, for visitors from Britain, when Sandy Lyle strode to a magnificent victory. It was his first since last July but probably one of his sweetest, as he had had a score to settle with Ballesteros for that crushing putt at the first extra hole that deprived him of the matchplay championship at Wentworth last October.

Now it was Ballesteros who offered the greatest threat to Lyle for much of the long day, getting to within a shot of him at one point, but successive birdies by Lyle at the *15th and 16th, coupled with a* five by Ballesteros at both holes killed off the Spaniard. Lyle finished with a 70, two under par, for a total of 285, four strokes ahead of Ballesteros (73 yesterday). But Gordon Brand senior continued his unexpected run of success with a 74 to secure second place, for the second week running, on 287.

Lyle stood on 215 overnight, one under par, two strokes behind Brand. But while Lyle strung together a series of par figures Brand lived dangerously. From a weak tee shot at the first (195 yards) he took four, for which he immediately atoned with a birdie at the long second, one of the few among the fancied players to make up a stroke at that hole yesterday.

Brand dropped another shot at the fourth and again made good the error with a three at the next. The gap finally closed at the short sixth which Lyle reduced to two while Brand was again frustrated by a short hole. A three at the seventh took Lyle into the lead for the first time and a five at the next by Brand left him two strokes behind.

For a variety of reasons the low lying, ninth was playing more like a five than a four but American Tom Sieckmann made par there by way of a chip and putt. Ballesteros struck his second wildly into a bunker and literally splashed out to seven feet. The sodden green defeated his putt.

Lyle's second at that hole, launched with a huge splash, was held up by another pool in front of the green and, as was the general way in the conditions, his chip pulled up seven feet short and the putt rimmed the hole. Brand was in the trees and when he, too, had a seven foot putt to save his par it refused to drop.

THIRD ROUND
213: G Brand senior (GB), 70, 72, 71.
215: P Way (GB), 73,71,71; S Ballesteros (SP), 71, 72, 73.
217: J Anglada (SP), 72, 74, 71; S Torrance (GB) 72, 71, 74; T Sieckman (US), 69,71,77.
218: A Garrido (SP) 69, 77, 72.
219: B Barnes (GB), 72, 76, 71; B Langer (WG), 71, 72, 76.
220: J Rivero (SP), 73, 76, 71; E Rodriguez (SP); 73, 74, 73; W Humphreys (GB), 75, 71, 74; R Rafferty (Ire), 75, 70, 75.

OTHER BRITISH SCORES: 221: C Moody, 74, 74, 73; N Job, 71, 77, 73; M Poxon, 75, 71, 75; 222: K Brown, 75, 74, 73; D Feherty, 75, 72, 74; 223: B Gallacher, 72, 77, 74; R Boxall, 75, 72, 76; I Woosnam, 71, 76, 76; 224: C O'Connor junior (Ire), 73, 75, 76; G Turner, 73, 74, 77; P Hoad, 76, 74, 74; 225: E D'Arcy (Ire), 77, 75, 73; I Mosey, 78, 74, 73; 226: D Williams, 76, 74, 76; T Horton, 75, 75, 76; N Hunt, 72, 74, 80; B Waites, 72, 76, 74.

Miss Connachan's stroke of luck

Eight strokes clear of the field with eight holes to play, Jane Connachan eventually won the Helen Holm Trophy by a single shot from the holder, Wilma Aitken, Lewine Mair writes. Her three-round aggregate of 228 comprised scores of 69 and 75 over Troon Portland and a last round 84 over the Open championship links of Old Troon.

Miss Connaghan, out in 37, took the loss of a shot at the 10th in her stride. But, from the moment she lifted her head to miss a little putt on the 11th green, everything started to go wrong.

By the 18th, her margin over Miss Aitken was reduced to two and Miss Connachan looked to be in dire *trouble* when her second, from a treacherous lie in the right rough, scuttled along the ground and only just found the fairway.

Miss Aitken pushed her second, but on an afternoon when her short game and bunker play were well nigh perfect, she got down in two more to clinch her par and to leave Miss Connachan with the unappetizing task of having to get down in two from the back of the green to win.

The Scottish champion's first putt was too strong and, with the rule stating that, in the event of a tie, the championship would be decided on the last 18 holes, she was now left with "an all or nothing" putt of five feet and a half. Aiming just inside the right rim of the hole, she strOed the ball home.

RESULTS: 228, J Connachan (Royal Musselburgh), 69, 75, 84; 229, W Aitken (Ld Ranlurly), 75, 75, 79; 233, C Waite (Swindon), 70, 79, 75; 234, M Madill (Portstewart), 79, 75, 81; 236, G Stewart (Inverness), 80, 76, 80; 237, P Wright (Aboyne), 77, 80, 80.

CARLSBAD: (California): Tournament of Champions: three rounds: (US unless stated): 208, L Wadkins, 67, 70, 71; 209, J Haas, 70, 70, 69; H Sutton, 67, 70, 72; 210, G Hallberg, 72, 70, 68; 212, R Floyd, 68, 72, 72; G Koch, 67, 76, 79; 213, R Clampett, 72, 71, 70; 214, I Aoki (Jap), 73, 69, 72; J Nicklaus, 65, 72, 77; P Zoeller, 74, 72, 68; 215, C Stadler, 69, 73, 73; W Levi, 72, 69, 74; 216, T Kite, 69, 75, 72; C Peta, 71, 71, 74.

Ickx for Silverstone

Jacky Ickx, of Belgium, the reigning world champion, heads the entry for the British round of the world 1,000 kilometres motor racing *championship* at Silverstone on May 8. He will be driving a Porsche.

SNOOKER: A CASE OF MAXIMUM EUPHORIA

Gritty stuff from Davis

Steve Davis scraped into the last eight of the world professional championships sponsored by Embassy in Sheffield late on Saturday night, beating Dennis Taylor 13-11. He had trailed 4-3 and 8-7 after the first two periods of their best of 25 frames second round match.

Taylor went ahead at 9-8 but when Davis won four frames in a row to stand on frame from victory.

Taylor came back to 12-11, including a superb break of 83 in the 22nd frame, before Davis wrapped up the match by taking the 24th frame 94-26.

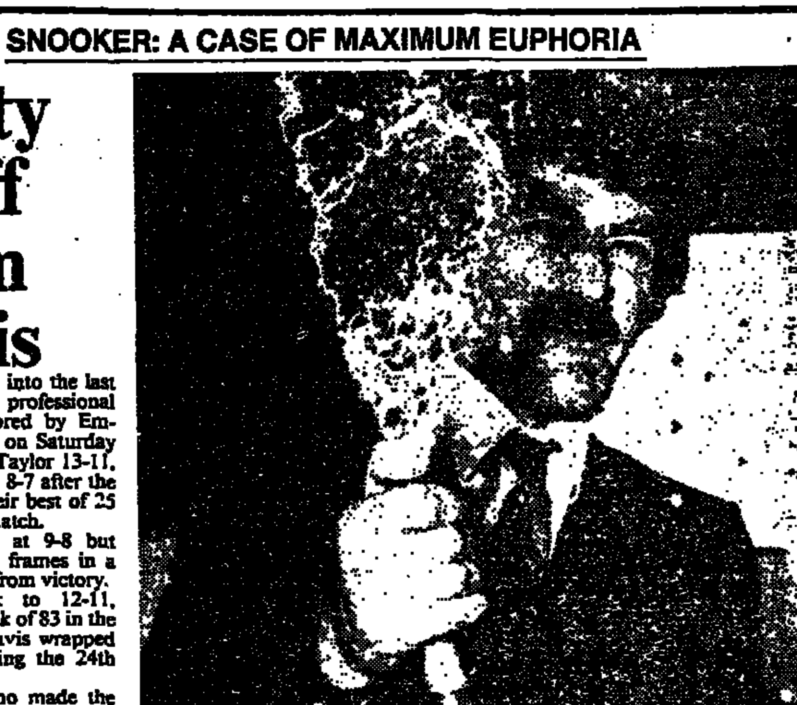
Cliff Thornburn, who made the first *maximum 147 break in the* world championships on Saturday night, said: "I am still in shock. Its simply mind-boggling." At one point in the break, he risked disrupting his rythum by turning aside to blow his nose. "I had this terrible vision of making history with a runny nose, he said.

Sidney Friskin writes: The maximum break of 147 is the fulfiment of every snooker player's dream. It is the pinnicle of his career, whether it is achieved in ordinary match play or in a tournament. All the hopes and fears of Cliff Thorburn, of Canada, found expression at the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield in one magic moment-when he potted the last black to become the first player to achieve this feat in the world championship.

The Welshman, Doug Mountjoy, came near the maximum break last year when made 145 to break the record for the championship. The required sequence of 15 reds and 15 blacks was disrupted only when he was forced to take a blue instead of a black. Now Thorburn has achieved what Mountjoy just failed to accomplish.

When the late Joe Davis made his maximum break in London in 1951, it was done in an ordinary match. He could not have dreamt at that time some day someone would receive £13,000 for the task.

RESULTS: S Davis bt D Taylor, 13-10. C Thorburn leads T Griffiths, 8-6. E Charlton leads J Spencer, 9-7.



Bubbling: Thorburn with near tautological champagne

CRICKET

Leeward Islands are facing innings defeat

Basseterre, St Kitts (Reuter) – The Leeward Islands needed another 60 runs to avoid an innings defeat when they took lunch on the third day of their four-day match against the Indian tourists yesterday.

After reaching 362 in their first innings, the Indians bowled out the Leewards in only two hours for a mere 103

INDIANS: First innings

*A D Gaekwad b Merrick	0
Arun Lal lbw b Merrick	28
A Malhotra c Baptiste b Merrick	9
D B Vengsarkar c Sargeant b Merrick	55
Gursharan Singh st Sargeant b Willett	15
Yashpal Sharma b Baptiste	45
S Madan Lal c Baptiste b Merrick	97
†K More c Richardson b Baptiste	31
L Sivaramakrishnan b Newton	29
S Venkataraghavan c Richardson b Newton	14
Maninder Singh not out	13
Extras (b 5, l-b 8, w 4, n-b 8)	25
Total	362

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–0, 2–12, 3–97, 4–98, 5–138, 6–212, 7–290, 8–321, 9–337, 10–362.

BOWLING: Merrick 28-5-68-5; White 17-4-58-0; Baptiste 23-5-61-2; Willett 41-14-87-1; Newton 298.3-13-45-2; Eddy 4-0-20-0.

LEEWARD ISLANDS: First innings

*A L Kelly c More b Madan Lal	5
R B Richardson b Madan Lal	4
R M Otto c Gursharan b Madan Lal	5
V A Eddy c and b Yashpal Sharma	1
S Liburd b Venkataraghavan	41
E Baptiste c More b Madan Lal	9
†E Sergeant lbw b Madan Lal	9
A C M White c Gursharan b Venkataraghavan	0
A Merrick c Gaekward b Venkataraghavan	10
E Willett not out	6
V C Newton lbw Venkataraghavan	9
Extras (lb 1, nb 3)	4
Total 0	103

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–9, 2–10, 3–11, 4–32, 5–51, 6–73, 7–77, 8–79, 9–88.

BOWLING: Madan Lal 14-0-68-5; Yashpal Sharma 9-1-26-1; Venkatarahavan 4.2-2-8-42.

Second innings

*A L Kelly c Venkataraghavan b Gaekwad	54
R B Richardson st More b Maninder Singh	17
R M Otto b Maninder Singh	10
V A Eddy not out	63
S Liburd c Venkataraghavan b Sivaramakrishnan	6
E Baptiste c Madan Lal b Sivaramakrishnan	20
†E Sergeant b Venkataraghavan	12
A C White not out	6
Extras (b 4, l-b 5, n-b 2)	11
Total (6 wkts)	199

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–46, 2–56, 3–99, 4–120, 5–153, 6–178.

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IN BRIEF

Spencer's lead now 25 points

What a difference a season makes. The Grand Prix Honda which made its first appearance only last season, sped Freddie Spencer to his third consecutive 500-cc victory in yesterday's Italian Grand Prix at Monza, Adrianne Blue writes. He leads the world championship by 25 points.

Ron Haslam, of Britain, who rides the other Honda, remains joint second *in the* series with the Yamaha rider, Kenny Roberts, although both Haslam and Roberts retired on the last of the 24 laps. Haslam, whose engine seized, had seemed assured of third place and Roberts, who recorded the fastest lap in 115.69mph, of fourth. Barry Sheene continued his comeback by finishing ninth.

500cc: 1, F Spencer (US), Honda, 45min 48.27sec. British placing: 9, B Sheene, Suzuki, 47:14.80. Overall: 1, Spencer, 45 pts; Equal 2, K Roberts (US), R Haslam (GB), 20. British placing: 10, Sheene, 7.
250cc: 1, C Lavado (Ven), Yamaha, 41:02.19. Overall: 1, J Cornu (Switz), 24; 2, D de Radigues (Bel), 22; 3, Lavado, 19.
125cc: 1, A Nieto (Sp), Garelli, 39:01.89. Overall: 1, R Tormo (Sp), 23; 2, Nieto, 15; 3, J-C Selini (Fr), 14.
50cc: 1, E Lazzarini (It), Garelli, 35:23.14. Overall: 1, Lazzarini, 27; 2, Equal 2, S Dorflinger (Switz), G Lovestein (Neth), Klein (WG), 15.

SPEEDWAY: England levelled the five-match international series, at one all, with a victory by 57 points to 51 over the USA at Swindon yesterday

Second international match (at Swindon): England 57 (C Morton 16, D Jessup 12, S Wigg 10, P Collins 8). US 51 (B Schwartz 11, D Sigalos 11, L King 10, K Moran 10).

CYCLING: Castellar de Nuch, Spain (Reuter) – Spaniard Alberto Fernandez won the 195-kilometre fifth stage of the tour of Spain race yesterday but Frenchman Bernard Hinault took the overall lead.

Fifth stage: 1, A Fernandez (Sp), 5hr 59min 20sec; 2, B Hinault (Fr), 3, M Lejarreta (Sp), 4, R Ditzer (WG), 5, V Belda (Sp), all 5:59.23; 6, P Munoz (Sp), 5:59.25.

United are the new favourites

Dundee United, who on Saturday took over the leadership of the premier division for the first time this season by beating Kilmarnock 4-0 at Tannadice, are now favourites to become Scottish champions. As the season draws to one of the most exciting climaxes, Aberdeen and Celtic still have a chance of winning the title, but the managers of these two clubs concede that it is United who have the easiest run-in over the three remaining games.

United, who have completed one of their most influential weeks in their 59-year-old history – they beat Celtic at Parkhead last Wednesday – meet Morton and Dundee away and Motherwell at home. They are now a point ahead of Celtic and four in front of Aberdeen who, however, have five *league matches still* to play as they pursue the prizes of league, Scottish Cup and European Cup Winners' Cup.

As it was a week of unsurpassed achievement for Dundee United, it was one of bitter disappointment for Celtic, for so long firm favourites to win the league for an unprecedented third time in a row.

● The threat of a breakaway by Scotland's leading clubs receded last night when the Scottish League agreed to a top level meeting with the ten Premier Division sides. Talks will take place this week at which the Premier representatives will put their case for sweeping changes.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Hull are given a fright

By Keith Macklin

Although Leeds were the only side to pull off a shock win in yesterday's Premiership ties, the favourites and champions Hull were given a severe fright by Oldham before winning 24-21. Leeds went five points down at Wigan after a try by Foy and a goal from Whitfield, but they stormed back to belie their poor display at Leigh last week.

Conway, the young scrum half, scored a try and kicked four goals, while Holmes dropped a late goal. *Whitfield kicked two further goals* for a Wigan side who were tackled out of the game.

Oldham ed 11-9 at half-time at the Boulevard, including a magnificent interception try from 60 yards by Vigo. Hull took a grip on the game in the second half to lead 24-11 before a storming finish from Oldham made it 24-21 with three minutes to go.

Hall scored four tries and Fairbairn a try and seven goals as Hull Kingston Rovers cruised to an easy 35-14 victory over Castleford. Widnes beat St Helens 11-7 at Knowsley Road after trailing 7-0. In next weekend's semi-final round ties Hull KR play Widnes on Saturday and Hull take on Leeds on Sunday.

FIRST DIVISION: Hull 24, Oldham 21; Hull KR 35, Castleford 14; St Helens 7, Widnes 11 Wigan 9, Leeds 12.

SECOND DIVISION: Batley 4, Whitehaven 16; Dewsbury 5, Salford 29; Doncaster 13, Wakefield Trinity 19; Hunslet 16, Blackpool Borough 11; Huyton 10, Huddersfield 30; Keighley 17, Fulham 11; Rochdale Hornets 17, Cardiff City 17; York 18, Bramley 28.

● Whitehaven gained promotion to the first division by beating Batley 16-4 at Mount Pleasant yesterday.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

FOOTBALL

Kick-off 7.30 UNLESS STATED

ALLIANCE PREMIER LEAGUE: Altrincham v Kettering; Barnet v Telford Utd.; Nuneaton v Dagenham.
ISTHMIAN LEAGUE – Premier Division: Leatherhead v Harrow.
NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Hyde Utd. v Buxton.
CENTRAL LEAGUE – Division One: Aston Villa Res. v Blackburn Res. (7.0); Bury Res. v Man. Utd. Res.
CENTRAL LEAGUE – Division Two: Barnsley Res. v Man. City Res. (7.0).
FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Fulham Res. v Crystal P. Res. (2.0); Leicester Res. v Birmingham Res. (2.15); Reading Res. v Arsenal Res.
SERVOWARM ISTHMIAN LEAGUE – Premier Division: Leatherhead v Harrow Borough.
MID-WEEK LEAGUE: Peterborough Utd. v Brentford (2.0); Portsmouth v Southend Utd. (2.0).

F.A. YOUTH CUP FINAL – First Leg: Norwich City v Everton.

RUGBY UNION

CLUB MATCHES: Newbridge v Maesteg (6.30); St. Ives v Ebbw Vale (7.15).

OTHER SPORT

TENNIS: Cumberland tournament (London).
SNOOKER: Embassy World Professional Championship (Crucible Theatre, Sheffield).

RUGBY UNION: TWO MORE CASUALTIES IN THE CUP FINAL COUNTDOWN

Nothing final for Leicester

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

Moseley 10
Leicester 29

Leicester will decide their team for the John Player Cup Final tonight, but they will surely be unable to confirm the line-up until much later in the week. Apart from Dodge, their England centre, who had been resting a damaged hamstring, two senior forwards joined the casualty list after the win over Moseley at the Reddings on Saturday: Smith, with a recurrence of an old hamstring injury, and Gillingham, with a twisted ankle.

Bristol, their opponents in the final next Saturday, may shake their heads and look wise after resting the bulk of their cup squad, but over the last five years it has not been Leicester's policy to put out the shadow XV in the penultimate game before the final.

Smith's injury occurred when he slipped in the second minute of the game, Gillingham's when he was involved in a maul at the start of the second half. Moseley's doctor was able to prescribe rest and physiotherapy and Leicester will cross their fingers – and anything else they feel may help.

It was unfortunately that sort of a game. There was nothing obviously malicious, yet all four replacements were used and still Moseley ended with 13 men, a third having been sent off 10 minutes before the end. The game capped what has been a thoroughly unhappy season for the Birmingham club, leaving them desperately hunting for replacements in the team they sent to the Haig invitation sevens yesterday.



Dodge: taking a test

Smith: latest casualty

Considering their readiness to help Leicester prepare for the final by purchasing a leather ball rather than the usual all-weather one, Lady Luck has been more than cruel.

Inevitably, Leicester played a loose game and their winning margin of three goals, two tries and a penalty goal to a try and two penalties, contained three interception tries, one by Evans from his own line. They gave Dodson a trial at full back but, despite the wealth of possession won by Moseley, he had comparatively little to do. He was confident in his approach, however, and will probably deputise for the unavailable Hare with Leicester hoping that he shows no further penchant for letting high kicks bounce before collecting them.

Leicester were completely outclassed at the line out, but achieved a formidable drive in the set scrums (until Gillingham's disappearance) against a pack at least as heavy as Bristol. Richards and Tebbutt showed a huge appetite for work and, should Smith prove unfit, Tebbutt will be an able deputy.

Moseley showed a commendable desire to run the ball, but their attack faltered in the centre, hardly surprising after Woodward popped up twice to seize a pass and scamper 50 metres in the first half and 70 in the second for tries. Goodwin received only two passes all afternoon which may account for his frustration when he stepped out of Evans' tackle and was knocked into the corner flag by Dodson and Bates.

He thought he had scored; the touch judge, an experienced north Midlands referee, John Burgum, disagreed and Goodwin hurled an epithet and the ball at Mr Burgum. It was the act of a disappointed young man and deserved punishment. Fred Howard, the referee, was technically right to send him off, but it seemed a drastic punishment when a stiff and obviously public wigging might have served.

Meanwell, Moseley's final casualty two minutes from the end, kicked two penalties and Gisbourne with a splendid drive scored their try. Leicester's best-earned tries came from Tebbutt and Poulson, their gifts from Woodward (2) and Evans, with Cusworth kicking three conversions and a penalty all of which carried Leicester to 991 points, their highest aggregate in any one season.

MOSELEY: R Meanwell; J Goodwin, C Osborne, C Smith, A Thomas (rep. G Swain); C Arntzen, S Cookson; M Head, G Cox (captain), P Gisbourne; B Clarke (rep Astley), J Davidson, R Tuckwood, R Barr, N Jeavons.
LEICESTER: I Dodson; B Evans, I Bates, C Woodward, R Barnwell; L Cusworth, N Youngs; Stuart Redfern, P Wheeler, Stephen Redfern; S Johnson (captain), N Gillingham (rep M Poulson), M Foulkes-Arnold, I Smith (rep R Tebbutt), D Richards.
Referee: F Howard (Liverpool).

A clean pair of heels at Bath

By Peter Marson

Bath 28
Cardiff 9

For a Bath supporter, and an Englishman, there can be no more acceptable way of passing St George's day than plunging a spear into the heart of the Welsh dragon. The way in which the Englishmen dealt with the pride of the Principality gratified the most patriotic of hopes at the Recreation Ground on Saturday.

In years past, Bath's rugby has sheltered in the shadows thrown by those historic pillars which support this celebrated Georgian city. But the new year has seen Bath's rugby blossom, and this victory by three goals, a try and two penalty goals to a goal and a penalty goal means that the club stands two short strides away from recording the most successful season since their founding 118 years ago.

If Bath's rugby is to match the style of those crescents, terraces and squares, the club must beat Old Redcliffians in the Somerset Cup on Wednesday and then Bedford in the season's final match at Golding Road on Thursday week.

Cardiff soon found that even their best endeavours were not going to be good enough. At no-side, they, like the rest of us, could appreciate how Bath have averaged over 32 points in their last eight matches.

Cardiff's single try, converted by Ring, who also kicked a penalty goal, was a good one, but born chiefly of Cordle's individualism, while Bath exploited team understanding to bring four spanking tries for Trevaskis (his 31st), Halliday, Trick and Martin.

Trevaskis had to stretch his legs to chase a cross kick to the left hand corner to score the first, and following Horton's break, Halliday's strength and determined running made sure of the second try. Later, Horton, Simpson and Chilcott dove-tailed neatly down the left flank, and with the prop forward passing in the manner of Butterfield, Martin chased his own kick ahead to crown an excellent display with the last try.

In between there had been a virtuoso display by Trick, a spitfire among gladiators as he swerved outside Neil O'Brien and accelerated past Goodfellow to score behind the posts. Here, Palmer landed his third conversion to go with two penalty goals.

BATH: C S Martin; D M Trick, S Halliday, J A Palmer, B Trevaskis; J P Horton, R Hill; G Chilcott, K Adams, R Lee, R Spurrell (capt), N Haymond, R/F Hakin, J Hall, P Simpson.
CARDIFF: P Goodfellow; A Hadley (rep N O'Brien), D Barry, M Ring, G Cordle; W G Davies, G Williams; R Newman, L O'Brien, I Eidman, O Golding, J P Scott (capt), K Edwards, R Lakin, T Charles.
Referee: P E Hughes

TENNIS: SPAIN REIGN AGAIN

Faster pace proves a winner for Higueras

By Rex Bellamy
Tennis Correspondent

Jose Higueras saved five match points before beating Tomas Smid 2-6, 7-6, 7-5 in the singles final of the Stated Express Classic tournament at Bournemouth yesterday. For the second time in three years, bad weather made it necessary to complete the final indoors on a faster surface.

Higueras had never before won a tournament on such a court. For some time he has been telling us that his game has became more competitively aggressive since he married an American and began ot play much of his tennis on quicker courts than his preferred clay. Yesterday he proved his point, notably by hitting six consecutive winning volleys at the crisis of the third set.

Higueras was always admirable in his passing shots, especially on the backhand, and also made effective use of the lob. Smid kept charging to the net whenever he could and towards the end of the second set he looked to have the match in his grasp.

But at 6-5, he was beaten by passing shots on two occasions when he was within a point of winning. In the tie-break he was twice a point up against service. But Higueras hung on, and eventually, regained a title that he had previoulsy won in 1978. Five of the last seven singles champions at Bournemouth have been Spaniards.

Twice in three weeks, teenage qualifiers have reached the semi-final round of a Grand Prix tournament – Libor Pimek in Lisbon and Stefan Edberg at Bournemouth. Both won six consecutive matches.

On the other hand, the oldest man in the Bournemouth draw, Jaime Fillol, aged 36, progressed to the last eight and served for the match against Higueras. It seems that most of today's leading players are not good enough to be confident of beating the more talented players of yesterday and tomorrow.

Colin Dibley and Sherwood Stewart shared about £9,000 by beating Mark Cox and Tom Okker 6-4, 3-6, 6-2 in the final of the doubles tournament for players over-35. Both pairs has won all their three matches in the preceding all-play-all series, played in two groups. A superficially odd feature was that the left-handed Cox, whose backhand is not his stronger flank, nevertheless played in the deuce court. For some reason Okker simply cannot play good doubles from that part of the court.

Yesterday, Dibley's service games were the most secure and Cox's the least so. The first game of the third set affected the momentum of both teams. Dibley managed to hold his service in a 14-point game in which Cox and Okker had a break. That was the last time the losers reached deuce against service whereas Dibley and Stewart twice broke through against Cox.

Higueras: inside job over Smid

This week there is another domestic tournament, at the Cumberland club, Hampstead. But the main event on the calendar is the 12-man World Championship tournament in Dallas from tomorrow and running until Sunday. The draw includes two men, Smid and Taroczy, who were in action at Bournemouth yesterday. The pairings for the last four are expected to be: Ivan Lendl against Kevin Curren and Guillermo Vilas versus John McEnroe.

As an etymological aside, we may note that Higueras, during his match with Mile Myburg, was warned by the umpire for using the word "bloody". Higueras was indiscreet on two counts: he was using bad language and was also uncertain just how bad it was. But consider the situation. Had he been penalized for "an audible obscenity" and had then appealed, would a Court of Law have upheld the appeal?

The derivation of the word is disputed. It may be a corruption of "by our Lady", but has also been associated with "bloods" (aristocratic grandees), and, even more so with blood spilling. Technically it is what is known as an intensive, like "very" or "confounded".

Kurt Nielsel, the Grand Prix supervisor at Bournemouth, says the supervisors have not fixed policy when dealing with word's use on court, because although "bloody" is offensive to many people, to others it is no more than an emphatic adjective. Nielsen says that consequently much depends on local usage and whether or not the match is being televised.

RESULTS: Semi-finals: T Smid (Czech) bt V Pecci (Para), 4-6, 6-2, 10-8; J Higueras (Sp) bt S Edberg (Swe), 6-1, 6-1. Final: Higueras bt Smid, 2-6, 7-6, 7-5.

Orrell sieze a cup to cure their hangover

By Michael Stevenson

Orrell used up such vast quantities of nervous energy as they went down to Sale at Brooklands on Saturday that Liverpool, their opponents in the final of the Lancashire Cup on Sunday, were able to go into the match much encouraged.

But as things turned out, Orrell had gone through the entire weekend's supply of unforced errors on Saturday, as made no mistakes as they downed Liverpool 26-3.

On the glum Saturday, Orrell lost 9-6 to Sale, going down by three penalties to a goal, and so conceded the Northern Merit Table championship to Sale, who played with an ice-cool, organized defence and the sort of courage and character they have sometimes lacked.

All the points were scored in the first half, and a more astute tactical grasp could and probably should have brought Orrell victory. But the word had inexplicably got around that the full back, Lowden was vulnerable under the high ball, and too much quality possession was kicked into his safe hands.

He passed this personal examination with honours and kicked Sale's three penalties for good measure, two of which were far from easy. The game's only try, which Langford converted, erased a six point lead. Orrell's powerful pack were getting well on top and, after the real possibility of a pushover try had been averted, Clough made a half break. Williams looped round him, and took his slipped pass to score.

Sale's players made a presentation to their coach, Des Seabrook after the match. He has coached one of the outstanding Northern sides this winter, and happens to be a life member of the second of the new holders of the Lancashire Cup, Orrell.

It was 3-3 at the interval yesterday at Blundellsands and Orrel's decision to play the same side that had lost to Sale, had already been vindicated, though the vast gap that was to open between the teams in the second half was not then apparent.

Langford's early penalty had been answered on the stroke of half time by a gorgeous penalty by Kilner. But the second half saw a brilliant performance from Williams, the Orrell stand-off half.

It was the awesome power of Orrel's pack that caused Liverpool to crumble. Williams and Langford kicked for position, the back row applied merciless pressure, and errors proliferated. Cleary picked up neatly and dived over from a melee almost on the Liverpool line; Kimmins, a youthful, shambling giant of a lock, forced his way over, and Langford helped to make a try for the speedy Wilkinson.

Langford converted, and added a coule of late penalties, again the reward of unrelenting pressure.

Forgotten lines wreck Pontypool's rehearsal

By Gerald Davies

Pontypool 13
Waterloo 12

Waterloo are enjoying a fine season in their centenary year and like Coventry last week, this was their first visit to Pontypool Park. From the first scrum on Saturday, when they were forced to retreat at speed and Pontypool's early powerful charges resulted in a try in the fourth minute, Waterloo seemed destined for a similar fate to that of Coventry.

Pontypool, forced to make two changes – Butler and Huish were unavailable – from the team which will presumably take the field next Saturday against Swansea in the cup final, look to be in for a comfortable and not-too-taxing rehearsal. But, despite their forward superiority, they struggled for the points and only in the last few minutes did they get the final score to win by a try and three penalties to a goal and two penalties.

It was an ill-tempered opening period. A couple of players should have been sent off. But if the referee was incapable of cooling their tempers, the heavy downpour at the start of the second half, presumably did. It came at an awkward time for Waterloo for they were in the lead at that stage, and the changing conditions probably wrecked their chances of victory.

Brown had scored the first try when he dived on the ball when Waterloo failed to control it at a scrum near their line. After Cotter had replied with a penalty, Peter Lewis responded with one of his.

Although McEveley and Cain, the props, were in dire straights, Fisher managed to retain his share of the scrum possession. Wisely, Waterloo tried to keep the ball away from the enveloping presence of the Pontypool eight. They were justly rewarded with a superb try. With a handling movement from their own line they turned desperate defence into attack.

From the scrum on the Pontypool line, Christopherson sliced through the defence to score near the posts. Cotter, who has scored more than 500 points this season, converted. He extended the lead after half-time with a long distance penalty.

No one has beaten Pontypool at home this season, and when it began to look that Waterloo might just make it, the rain came.

In the end their centres, over eager, were twice caught off side. Peter Lewis, although he had missed with two other opportunities, kicked both penalties.

PONTYPOOL: P Lewis; G Davies, L Faulkner, L Jones, B Taylor; M Goldsworthy, D Bishop; B Windsor, S O'Donoghue, G Price; M Brown, J Perkins, M Jones, H Wilmott, J Squire (captain).
WATERLOO: J Whitehead; M Cotter, S McVeigh, S Christopherson, M Molyneux; M Murphy, D carfoot; F McEveley, C fisher, M Cain; M Leach, N Wilkinson, D Reed, J Hay, L Connor (captain).
Referee: G Simmonds (Taffs Well).

An epic day in the life of . . .

By Iain Mackenzie

Kelso 30
Heriot's 14

Kelso firmly re-established themselves as the best seven-a-side combination in Scotland with an easy vin over Heriot's at Murrayfield yesterday. It it was less one-sided than last year's final between the same teams, when Kelso won 38-0, the result was still emphatic.

The Haig Trophy went to the Borders town for the third successive year and it is the second year running that they have won the Jed-Forest and Murrayfield tournaments within 24 hours.

Yesterday's margin was three goals and three tries to a goal and two tries. Kelso had a 16-4 lead at half-time after tries by Paxton, Robeson and Ker. Brown converted twice and Heriot's reply was confined to a try by Duckworth.

In the second half Kelso added three more tries by Hewitt, Ker and Paxton and Brown converted once. Milne and Hewitt crossed for Heriot's and Hewitt converted his own score.

Earlier Cardiff had brought the crowd to twin peaks of excitement. In their first outing against Watsonians they exchanged point for point before beating their one-time guests on Easter tours 18-16.

It was equally close – and the score was the same – when Cardiff met Kelso but on this occasion there was a Scottish victory to applaud. The men from the banks of the Tweed put the Welsh out of the competition and, having beaten Watsonians in the first tiw of the day, advanced to a semi-final with Wanderers.

The Irishmen were there after victory in extra time against Richmond – semi-finalists in the Centenary Sevens at Melrose earlier this month – and after a surprisingly easy encounter with Hawick, losers to Kelso in the Jed-Forest final. In other semi-final Heriot's beat Stewart's-Melville FP after a struggle.

KELSO: D R Robeson, A B M Ker, E A L Common, G J Brown, R E Paxton, G L Callander, J A Hewitt.
HERIOT'S: P Hewitt, N Marshall, S Dougherty, I Duckworth, M Rafferty, K Milne, A Dobie.
Referee: B Anderson (Edinburgh).
RESULTS: First quarter: Watsonians 6, Kelso 22; Watsonians 16, Cardiff 18; Kelso 18, Cardiff 16. Second quarter: Richmond 6, Wanderers 10 (after extra time), Richmond 6, Hawick 24; Wanderers 22, Hawick 12. Third quarter: Heriot's 14, Moseley 12; Heriot's 14, Melrose 4; Moseley 26, Melrose 10. Fourth quarter: Bridgend 8, Stewart's-Melville FP 14; Bridgend 22, Lansdowne 0; Stewart's-Melville FP 14, Lansdowne 10. Semi-final: Kelso 16, Wanderers 12; Heriot's 16, Stewart's-Melville FP 14. Final: Kelso 30, Heriot's 14.

. . . the magnificent seven of Kelso

Less than 36 hours before the penultimate tournament in the Borderers spring seven-a-side circuit, Jedburgh was under snow and on the edge of the town the Jed-Forest pitch might have been transported from the slopes of Aviemore, Iain MacKenzie writes. Whichever god looks after sevens organizers relented, however, and a change in the weather – dramatic even by Scottish standards – produced sunshine and a south wind.

The snow retreated and when the first tie began at 1.30 on Saturday the pitch had even dried out. Kelso needed favourable conditions to retain the trophy they had won three times since 1978.

After the easiest of ambles through the first round when they ran up 40 points against Gordonians, the highest total of the day, Kelso stumbled slightly against Gala. This was the only game which went to extra time, after an 18-all draw, but Kelso returned to better form in their semi-final with Watsonians, winning 22-10.

Hawick, winners of their own trophy and successful in Jedburgh four times since 1974, comfortably disposed of Boroughmuin.

The final was hardly a classic, but in 20 minutes of fits and starts, Kelso built up a comfortable lead, almost lost it, and then closed the day's activities with a try which was actually scored after the end of normal time.

Leading 18-4, Kelso were shaken when first Rob Douglas and then Keith Murray crossed their line. Jim Renwick, who for once missed an easy kick after Oliver's effort, converted both. But Eric Paxton, the outstanding forward of the tournament, gathered the ball near the half-way line and sped for the posts. Time was up, but under the rules Paxton was allowed to carry on until the touchdown.

HAWICK: R Douglas, J Renwick, K Murray, G Oliver, A Campbell, W Murray, D Turnbull.
KELSO: D Robeson, E Common, A Ker, G Brown, E Paxton, G Callander, J Hewitt.
Referee: C Scott (Jedburgh).
RESULTS: First round: Hawick 22, Herriot's 6; Langholm 4, Glasgow Academicals 16; Stewart's Melville FP 18 Melrose 4; Selkirk 6, Boroughmuir 22; Gordonians 0, Kelso 40; Gala 34, Royal High 14; Durham City 10, Watsonians 20; Jed-Forest 16, Aspatria 4. Second round: Hawick 22, Glasgow Academicals 12; Stewart's Melville FP 16, Boroughmuir 17; Kelso 22, Gala 18 (aet); Watsonians 22, Jed-Forest 12. Semi-finals: Hawick 16, Boroughmuir 4; Kelso 22, Watsonians 10. Final: Hawick 16, Kelso 22.

Derry downed

Collegians won the Ulster Challenge Senior Cup for the eighth time, beating City of Derry, finalists for the first time, 11–6 at Ravenhill, Belfast, on Saturday.



Coventry pass the 1,000

Coventry beat what was in effect Bristol's second XV by 30-13 at Coundon Road, on Saturday, and in doing so passed 1,000 points in a season for the fourth time in their history, David Hands writes. The important points were scored when Rossborough crossed the Bristol line, but the dominant personality was Robbins, Coventry's leading try scorer and No 8, who scored three tries. Further tries came from Maisey and Brain with Thomas, the captain, kicking two penalties. Bristol's points came from tries by Watson and Baker, Cue converting one, and kicking a penalty. Bristol's squad for the John Player Cup final trained at the Memorial ground on Saturday and reported no injuries.

Weekend results

Aberavon	13	S Wales Police	13
Abertillery	13	Llanelli	37
Bath	28	Cardiff	9
Bedford	14	Gosforth	24
Birkenhead Park	14	Bradford	6
Birmingham	21	Manchester	21
Camborne	12	Cross Keys	6
Cheltenham	12	Northampton	19
Clifton	12	Plymouth Albion	12
Coventry	30	Bristol	13
Exeter	13	Gloucester	11
Fylde	9	Headingley	7
Glamorgan Wdrs	8	Bridgend	12
Huddersfield	4	Harrogate	21
Moseley	10	Leicester	29
Neath	22	Penarth	10
Newbridge	9	Newport	11
New Brighton	9	Hartlepool	12
Northern	14	Broughton Park	6
Nottingham	47	Liverpool	6
Pontypool	13	Waterloo	12
Pontypridd	13	Maesteg	27
Redruth	10	Ebbw Vale	15
Rugby	10	Roundhay	12
St Helens	3	Otley	3
Sale	9	Orrell	6
Tredegar	28	Torquay	6
Vale of Lune	27	Halifax	21

ULSTER SENIOR CHALLENGE CUP: Final: Collegians 11, City of Derry 6.
SOUTH WEST: Bideford 8, Teignmouth 0; Tiverton 28, Sidmouth 0; Falmouth 6, Launceston 29; Crediton 16, Newquay 10; Penryn 17, Taunton Police 6; Truro 14, Penzance-Newlyn 6; St Ives 22, Barnstaple 7; Exmouth 29, Wellington 3; Hayle 24, Paignton 9; Bridgwater 22, Stafford 10.
NORTHERN: Aspatria 12, Egremont 6; Aspull 18, Oldham 10; Burnage 17, Wallasey 3; Burton 14, Wigan 4; Carlisle 58, Keswick 3; Eccles 12, Old Salians 15; Edwardians 3, Heaton Moor 22; Hartlepool 16, Ryton 7; Hartlepool Rovers 16, R F Oakes XV 24; Ilkley 3, Sheffield 82; Kendal 9, Wilmslow 6; Kersal 15, Delyn 24; Leigh 10 Lichfield 54; Morely 3, Chester 13; Morpeth 6, Keighley 0; Old Bedians 22, Bury 0; Preston Grasshoppers 17, Middlesbrough 10; Rochdale 12, Castleford 6; Sale 9, Orrell 6; Skipton 16, Yarnbury 13; Southport 27, Port Sunlight 9; Wharfedale 7, Sunderland 0; Widnes 15, Stoke 18; Wigton 15, West Park 15; Winnington Park 0, Lymm 6.

● Stewart's Melville, the holders, have been drawn against Saracens in the Middledex Sevens finals at Twickenham on May 7.

THE DRAW: Exeter University v Richmond (12.40); London Scottish v Richmond II (1.0); London Irish v Rosslyn Park (1.20); Askeans v Waterloo (1.40; Blackheath v Melrose (2.0) London Welsh v Cheshunt (2.20); Harlequins v Wasps (2.40); Saracens v Stewart's Melville FP (Holders) (3.0).
MIDDLESEX SEVENS: Qualifying: (At Beckenham): Fourth round: O Alleynians 6, Streatham Croydon 30; Blackheath I 28, Sidcup II 0; O Beccehamians I 30, Sidcup I 4; Askeans I 24, O Whitgiftians I 4. Fifth round: Streatham Croydon 6, Blackheath I 22; O Beccehamians 10, Askeans I 22. (At Saracens): Fourth round: Old Tottonians 12, Saracens I 28; Hemel Hempstead 22, Tabard 8. Fifth round: Saracens I 24, Hemel Hempstead 10. (At Wasps): Fourth round: Aylesbury 4, Old Kingsburians 12; High Wycombe 12, Wasps I 22. Fifth round: Wasps I 14 Old Kingsburians 6. (At Old Millhillians): Fourth round: Exeter University I 24, Old Gaytonians II 0; Old Gaytonians I 4, Wasps II 8; Fifth round: Exeter University I 24, Wasps II 0. (At Osterley): Fourth round: Wimbledon I 4, Oxford OB I 22; O Meadonians 0, London Welsh I 35; Cobham 4, London Welsh II 36; O Freemens 6, Harlequins I 28. Fifth round: Oxford OB I 12, London Welsh I 24; London Welsh II 8, Harlequins I 12.

At Old Paulines: Fourth round: Old Emanuel 4, Rosslyn Park II 15; London Scottish I 12, Old Wimbledonians 6; Lensbury I 0, London Scottish II 12; Rosslyn Park I 30, Old Wandsworthians 0. Fifth round: Rosslyn Park II 8, London Scottish I 12; London Scottish II 0, Rosslyn Park I 18. At London Irish: Fourth round: Metropolitan Police I 0, Richmond II 22; London Irish II 0, Esher I 16; London Irish I 28, Old Surbitonians 0; West London FRWT I 32, KCSOB 0. Fifth round: Richmond II 25, Esher I 0; London Irish I 12, West London Inst 16. At Upper Clapton: Fourth round: East London 0, Saracens II 10; Cheshunt 22, Loughborough Students 12. Fifth round: Cheshunt 24, Saracens II 12.

EQUESTRIANISM

Harmonious win for American team

From Jenny MacArthur, Vienna

Norman Dello Joio, from New York, the son of the composer, gained a well-deserved victory in the final of the F E I Volvo World Cup Holland here yesterday to give the United States their fourth consecutive win in this competition. His Horse, I Love You, aged nine, did not put a foot wrong throughout the three parts of the final and collected no jumping faults.

The final, consisting of two rounds over a grand prix course, produced a thrilling finish for the packed arena. The first round, in which Robert Puskas, the designer, has built a surprisingly small course, caused many horses to be careless and poduced only eight clear rounds out of the 30 starters.

At the end of the first round, Dello Joio was lying first with 0 points. Malcolm Pyrah, of Britain, on Mr Tom Hunnable's Towerland's Anglezarde was second with three point five penalties and Hugo Simon, of Austria, was third with four penalties. It meant that if Dello Joio had a pole down in the second and final round and Pyrah went clear Pyrah would win.

The riders went in reverse order of merit to add to the suspense. Simon, the third from last, had a fence down but his position looked good when Pyrah, the last but one to go, had an uncharacteristic eight faults on Towerland's Anglezarke.

Dello Joio entered the ring under extreme pressure – not least in the knowledge that the Austrian crowd were willing him to have a pole down so that their hero, Simon might win. But Dello Joio produced the kind of flawless round he must have dreamt about and if Pyrah, the only British hope, had to lose there could be no more worthy winner than this 26 year-old who was third in the World Cup in 1979.

Simon, who was second on Gladstone, said at the start that he did not think Gladstone could win because he was not really an indoor horse. From the outset Gladstone seemed determined to prove him wrong and jumped superbly. But yesterday's four faults made the difference. Simon is the only rider to have been in the top four at each World Cup since it began in 1979.

Pyrah's eight faults relegated him to sixth postion and put Melanie Smith on Calypso, last year's winner into third place. Fourth was Conrad Homfeld on Touch of Class, also from the United States and Paul Schockemöhle, from West Germany, on Deister who had a fence down in the first round but made up for it with a clear in the second, finished fifth.

John Whitaker and Ryan's Son were clear in the first round, but four faults in the second put them into tenth position. Liz Edgar and Everest Forever never really found their top form at this meeting and had a fence down in each of the World Cup rounds. Stephen Hadley and Sunorra went out of the running.

Nick Skelton, who opted to ride Everest If Ever rather than the off-form St James proved the wisdom of this choice when he gained two clear rounds pulling him up from a hopeless looking 29th to 16th – equal with Hadley.

FEI VOLVO WORLD CUP, HOLLAND: Third round: 1, I Love You (N Dello Joio, US), 0; 2, Gladstone (H Simon, Austria), 4; 3, Calypso (M Smith, US), 7.5.
Final Placings: 1, N Dello Joio, (US), 0; 2, H Simon, (Austria), 4; 3, M Smith, (US), 7.5; 4, C Homfeld, (US), 9; 5, P Schockemöhle, (WG), 11; 6, B Ward, (US), 11.5; Equal M Pyrah, (GB), 11.5; 8, D Cheska, (US), 12, 9, K Monahan, (US), 14, 10, J Whitaker, (GB), 15.5.

HOCKEY

South's shortcomings are exploited by East

By Sydney Friskin

East 3
South 1

East provided a fitting climax to the Senior Divisional tournament at Norwich yesterday by beating South in the final to avenge last year's defeat at Nottingham and conclude the 75th anniversary celebrations of the Eastern Counties Hockey Association, the organizers of the tournament.

England's selectors, however, could not have made many entries in their notebooks

South can look back remorsefully on a first half they dominated, only to make little use of their skills. There was about everything they did a sad lack of ideas. In that first half alone they squandered eight short corners although a few good shots by Daubeney were well saved by Hurst in the East goal. So, it must have been a bitter pill for South when East scored off their first short corner converted by Barber barely half a minute before the interval.

The South onslaught continued in the second half. Two defensive errors led to short corners from which they nearly scored. One shot was saved by Barber on the line. Then, off a long corner in the 15th minute of this period, East scored a snap goal. The ball was hit from the line by Barber and Law running in at high speed, hit it straight into goal.

Three minutes later South at last scored from the eleventh of their 15 short corners, Bhaura eventually being successful off the rebound.

South renewed their endeavour but their hopes were shattered five minutes before the end when East scored their third goal. Law picked up a loose ball from just over the 25-yard line and went through on his own to beat the stranded goalkeeper.

● The Netherlands beat Wales 4-0 and 4-1 in the two internationals between the countries over the weekend. In yesterday's match at Swansea Wales raised their game and took the lead in the 18th minute when Peters converted a short corner. The Dutch equalized through Bouwmann, also from a short corner three minutes before half-time. The more talented Dutch side were more assertive in the second half and scored through Doyer from a short corner, Ties Kruize from open play and Van't Hek from a short corner.

On the previous day the Welsh held the Dutch to a goalless first half and for 23 minutes of the second before the Dutch scored through Bouwmann (2), Tim Steens and Kruize.

EAST: J Hurst (St Albans); P J Barber (Slough, captain), C Vartan (Bishop's Stortford), M D Gallimore (Guildford), S Port (St Albans), A Law (Broxbourne), S Graves (Cambridge City), A Diamond (Beckenham), J French (Westcliff), S Swerling (St Albans), G Hayward (St Albans).
SOUTH: T Gregory (Beckenham); G Daubeney (Richmond), J Potter (Hounslow), B Green (Beckenham), R Staynor (Reading), K Bhaura (Hounslow), M Precious (Hounslow, captain), D Faulkner (Guildford), B Flora (Slough), G N Francis (Guildford), C Maskery (Stourport).
Umpires: M Maron (Southern Counties), R Wilson (Northern Counties).
RESULTS: Group A: West 0, North 1; South 0, West 0; North 0, South 1. Group B: East 3, Midlands 1; Combined Services 1, East 2; Midlands 3, Combined Services 1. Fifth place match: West 2, Combined Services 2. Third place: Midlands 1, North 0. Final: East 3, South 1.

ATHLETICS

Ovett back on road to fitness

By Pat Butcher

Steve Ovett was denied victory in his first international race for eight months, when his England teammate Eamonn Martin won yesterday's Oslo 10 kilometre road race, relegating Ovett to second. Martin, from Basildon AC won this event last year; his time yesterday, 28 min. 36 secs, was 18 seconds faster than that of Ovett.

Martin broke away with three kilometres to run, and never looked back. Ovett, who had been in the leading group throughout, said that he was well satisfied with the result after his injury and illnesses of last year, and did not need to overwork himself at this point by following Martin's break.

Paula Fudge won the women's section in 34.01.2; but the most reassuring run by a British woman was Joyce Smith's insistence that she was only on a training run, will afford no satisfaction to Britain's other women marathoners, especially when they see that her time of 2.38.05 was six seconds faster than that of Kath Binns, the first British woman in last Sunday's London marathon.

Elsewhere, the influence of marathon boom continues to be as baleful to officials as it is *benevolent to agents and running* shoe salesmen. At a meeting of the International Amateur Athletic Federation in Rome on Saturday, the president, Dr. Primo Nebiolo announced that there is to be an investigation into the conduct of the organizers of the Rotterdam marathon two weeks ago. The IAAF has received complaints from Britain and Mexico over approaches allegedly being made direct to athletes instead of through their federation.

After the IAAF had withdrawn permission for an Australasian marathon between Robert de Castella and Alberto Salazar, set up by the runners' agents International Management Group, the Rotterdam organizers stepped in to invite the men to their event, which was won by de Castella. The only British involvement was that of the Scot, John Graham, who acted as pacemaker. Dr Nebiolo has promised "severe measures" for transgressions of IAFF rules.

In Sutton Park, Birmingham, the officials of several clubs competing in the national 12-stage road relay complained that some of their best men were suffering after racing marathons. The London winner, Mike Gratton, certainly was not deterred as he turned in a good 14.21 on the short leg for Invicta AC.

But notable absentees were Gerry Helme, second in London, Dave Cannon and Ray Smedley. But Smedley's club, Birchfield Harriers, filled the gap and won after a late battle with their local rivals, Tipton.

Birchfield's first victory in 10 years was particularly gratifying for Steve Emson, who ran for Tipton in last year's race, but left after differences with the club. On the penultimate leg, Emson started for Birchfield 48 seconds behind his old club, but handed over nine seconds in the lead to set up Birchfield's win in 4.05.16.

The women's AAA extraordinary general meeting, also in Birmingham, broke up in some disbelief after the administration's legal adviser advized that the custom and practice of denying proxy votes for the last 60 years had probably been illegal. After two and a half hours, the issue on the agenda was never debated. There is to be a postal vote on whether a working party should be set up to explore means of amalgamating with the other governing bodies.

FOR THE RECORD

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE: (Friday) Boston Red Sox 3, Oakland Athletics 1; Kansas City Royals 6, Toronto Blue Jays 5, Texas Rangers 3, Milwaukee Brewers 2; Minnesota Twins 5, New York Yankees 3; Detroit Tigers 4, Seattle Mariners 0; California Angels 6, Baltimore Orioles 5 (11 innings); Cleveland Indians 5, Chicago White Sox 1. (Saturday): Baltimore Orioles 3, California Angels 1; Toronto Blue Jays 5, Kansas City Royals 4; Milwaukee Brewers 3, Texas Rangers 0; Detroit Tigers 4, Seattle Mariners 0; New York Yankees 7, Minnesota Twins 4; Cleveland Indians 6, Chicago White Sox 3

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Atlanta Braves 5, New York Mets 4; San Diego Padres 4, St Louis Cardinals 1; Los Angeles Dodgers 4, Pittsburgh Pirates 2; Montreal Expos 4, Cincinnati Reds 0; Chicago Cubs 7, San Francisco Giants 2; Philadelphia Phillies 6, Houston Astros 3. (Saturday): Philadelphia Phillies 7, Houston Astros 3; St Louis Cardinals 3, San Diego Padres 5; San Francisco Giants 5, Chicago Cubs 0; Los Angeles Dodgers 3, Pittsburgh Pirates 2.

ICE HOCKEY

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS: West Germany 4, East Germany 3; Soviet Union 5, Czachoslovakia 1, Sweden 5, Italy 1, Canada 5, East Germany 2, Finland 4, Sweden 4.

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Division finals (Best of Seven matches): Patrick Division: New York Islanders 5, New York Rangers 2 (Islanders win 4-2): Adams Division: Buffalo Sabres 5, Boston Bruins 3 (Series level 3-3).

CANOEING

BALA: Tryweryn: World championship selection event: Men's kayak: 1, R Fox, 194.5sec; 2, J Dolan, 206.5; 3, G Gladwin, 207.24. Women's kayak: 1, J Rodarick, 226.81; 2, S Garnock, 229.89; 3, E Sharman, 228.95. Canadian singles: 1, M Hedges, 217.80; 2, P Keane, 225.13; 3, J Taylor, 231.28. Canadian doubles: 1, E Jamieson and R Wiliams, 247.61; 2, R Joyce and R Owen, 263.80; 3, A Smith and M Smith, 286.17.

GYMNASTICS

LOS ANGELES: Men's international match: Soviet Union bt United States, 293.90-293. Women: Soviet Union bt United States, 194.15-192.45.

BASKETBALL

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION: First-round playoffs (best of three matches): Portland Trail Blazers 105, Seattle Supersonics 96 (Portland win 2-0); Atlanta Hawks 95, Boston Celtics 93 (Series level 1-1).

LACROSSE

NORTH OF ENGLAND LEAGUE: First division: Old Stopfordians 13, Sheffield University 19; Stockport 7, Old Waconians 12; Urmston 14, Mellor 18.

MOTOR RACING

NURBURGRING: European Formula Two championship: Fourth round: 1, B Gabbiani (It), March-BMW, 58min 46.44sec; 2, A Nannini (It), Minardi-BMW, 58:53.41; 3, C Danner (WG), March-BMW, 56:58.26; 4, J Palmer (GB), Ralt-Honda, 59:34.28. Other British placing: 9, K Acheson, Maurer-BMW, 1hr 00min 04.21sec; 11, D Scott, March-BMW, 1:00:31.79. Overall: 1, Gabbiani, 27pts; equal 2, M Thackwell (NZ), Palmer, 16.

YACHTING

HYERES: International regatta: Final positions: Windsurfer: 1, O Tellier (Neth), 36.7 pts; 2, P Villers (Fr), 55.7; 3, S van den Berg (Neth), 58.0. Finn: 1, J Lindhardtsen (Den), 43.7; 2, L Hjortnaes (Den), 46.4, 3, J Schuman (EG), 46.7. 470: 1, T Chelli (It), 42.0; 2, F Brenac (Fr), 49.0; 3, T Pepponet (Fr), 51.7. Flying Dutchman: 1, J Moller (Den), 39.7, 2, S Borobnov (USSR), 45.0; 3, L Delage (Fr), 59.7. Star: 1, E Hatzipavlis (Gr), 0.0; 2, P Morrison (GB), 17.4; 3, J Drew-Bear (Ven), 19.0. Soling: 1, W Kuhweide (WG), 15.7, 2, M Farnhofer (Austria), 24.7, 3, B Budnikov (USSR), 28.0. Tornado: 1, R White (GB), 14.4; 2, V Potapov (USSR), 39.0, 3, W van Biedel (Neth).

ROWING

HAMMERSMITH REGATTA: Eights: Senior A: Imperial College bt Thames Tradesmen, 2 lengths; Senior B: King's, Canterbury, bt St Paul's 1 length; Women: Lensbury bt University of London, ¾ length. Coxless fours: Senior A: Imperial College London bt University College Hospital, easily. Coxed fours: Senior B: Imperial College bt Vesta, 2½ lengths. Pairs: Elite B: Imperial College bt Quintin, 2 lengths. Sculls: Senior A: G Cairns (Poplar) bt P Berry (Tideway Scullers), ¾ lengths.

SHOOTING

Falconer Trophy (target rifle): 1, Surrey, 1,152; 2, London and Middlesex, 1,146; 3, Nottinghamshire, 1,138.
Punch Trophy (cadets' inter-service): 1, Caledonian RA, Glasgow ACF, 728; 2, Clydebank Squadron ATC, 717; 3, Preston Sea Cadet Corps, 693.
Army Target Pistol Club: Open championship: 1, M H Cutler, 1,153; 2, B W Girling, 1,138; 3, R Northover, 1,131.

SQUASH RACKETS

Gloucester: AUDI MIXED TEAM Finals: Nottingham bt Fairoak (Southampton), 5-0 (Nottingham names first): G Briars bt M Roberts, 6-9, 9-2, 9-3; C Dittmar bt M Shaw, 9-4, 9-2, 9-2; D Lee bt S Gray, 9-4, 9-3, 9-2; L Opie bt F Robberts, 9-1, 9-3, 9-2; M le Moignan bt C Muir, 9-3, 9-0, 9-1. Over-35: Brighton bt Moonrakers (Salisbury), 3-2 (Brighton names first): P Ayton bt M Taylor, 9-3, 3-9, 9-2, 9-4; P Kirton bt R Carter, 9-7, 6-9, 9-2, 9-4; M Westrupp bt P White, 8-7, 9-0, 10-8; W Sabey lost to N Topman, 4-9, 1-9, 4-9; P Diggens lost to W McQuillin, 4-9, 9-6, 2-9, 0-9.

TRAMPOLINING

Cardiff: Welsh Open championships: Women: 1, A Holmes, 94.1; 2, K McDonald, 90.0; 3, S Halford, 89.8. Men: 1, C Furrer, 98.3; 2, J Hansen (Den), 96.1; 3, R Cobbing, 92.9.

YACHTING

Hayling Island: Tornado: 1, R White; 2, J Downey; 3, E Bainbridge.

TABLE TENNIS

KUALA LUMPUR: Commonwealth championships: Men's singles: quarter-finals: A Musa (Nigeria) bt J Hilton (Eng), 21–12, 21-16, 14–21, 21–15; Chiu Man Kuen (HK) bt D Johnson (Eng), 21–9, 21–15, 21–8; Chan Kong Wah (HK) bt C Prean (Eng), 15–21, 21–9, 21–12, 21–13; Vong Iu Veng (HK) bt G Sandley (Eng), 21–14, 21–13, 21–14. Semi-finals: Chiu Man Kuen bt Musa, 21–18, 17–21, 21–7; Chan Kong Wah bt Vong Iu Veng, 21–4, 21–14, 21–8. Final: Chiu Man Kuen bt Chan Kong Wah, 21–14, 21–16, 15–21, 21–14. Women's singles: quarter-finals: Mok Ka Sha (HK) bt I Puri (India), 21–13, 21–, 21–12; Hui So Hung (HK) bt J Grundy (Eng), 21–15, 12–21, 21–18, 15–21, 21–18; Chai Man (HK) bt M Domonkos (Can) 21–16, 21–10, 21–11; Yu Kam Kai (HK) bt L Karanth (India), 21–14, 21–13, 21–14. Semi-finals: Yu Kam Kai bt Chai Man, 23–21, 21–14, 17–21, 14–21, 21–18; Hui So Hung bt Mok Ka Sha, 21–18, 21–18, 14–21, 21–18. Final: Yu Kam Kai bt Hui So Hung, 13–21, 18–21, 21–9, 21–13, 21–17.
Men's Doubles: Quarter-finals: Mehta and Dua (India) bt E Sunday and A Musa (Nigeria), 22-20, 19-21, 19-21, 21-18, 21-18; Chan Kong Wah and Chan Scheng Shien (HK) bt T Ogunrinde (Nigeria) and S Ram (India), 15-21, 21-18, 21-15, 18-21, 21-15, Chiu Man Kuen and Vong Iu Veng (HK) bt G Haberl and G Tepper (Aus), 21-12, 21-8, 19-21, 21-16; Hilton and Prean bt Arif Nakhuda and Javed Chotani (Pak), 22-24, 21-10, 21-16, 21-14. Semi-finals: Mehta and Dua bt Chan Kong Wah and Chen Scheng Shien, 21-17, 21-17, 21-19; Chiu Man Kuen and Vong Iu Veng bt Hilton and Prean, 21-18, 21-14, 21-14. Final: Chiu Man Kuen and Vong Iu Veng bt Mehta and Dua, 21-16, 21-14, 21-11.
Women's Doubles: Quarter-finals: L And J Bellinger (Eng) bt L Karanth and S Mehta (India), 21-15, 21-14, 21-14; Mok Ka Sha and Chai Man (HK) bt M Domonkos and G Hsu (Can), 21-13, 21-16, 21-15; Yu Kam Kai and Hui So Hung (HK) bt N Bisiach (Aus) and J Grundy (Eng), 21-19, 20-22, 21-6, 21-12; I Puri and Pank (India) bt Leow Lian Mooi and Tan Ah Tee (Sing), 21-18, 21-14, 21-18. Semi-finals: Mok Ka Sha and Chai Man bt L and J Bellinger, 21-13, 17-21, 21-16, 21-14; Yu Kam Kai and Hui So Hung bt Puri and Pank, 21-8, 21-15, 21-12. Final: Mok Ka Sha and Chai Man bt Yu Kam Kai and So Hung, 16-21, 21-12, 21-17, 21-15.

GOLF

INAMURA: Japanese International Open tournament: Final scores (Japanese unless stated): 201: L Nelson (US), 67, 65, 69. 202: M Kuramoto, 71, 70, 61. 205: T Nakajima, 72, 67, 67. 209: E Deguchi, 74, 67, 68; K Shimada, 73, 63, 70. 211: J Sinderlar (US), 72, 71, 68. 213: T Kurihara, 72, 69, 72. 214: N Yuhara, 69, 71, 74.
ST PETERSBURG: LPGA tournament: Third round: 205: H Stacy, 70, 66, 69. 208: J Coles, 67, 68, 73. 210: J Carner, 69, 66, 75. 211: J Washam, 69, 68, 74. 212: L Hushold, 72, 68, 72. 213: M Dickerson, 68, 72, 73; D Lasker, 68, 72, 73; A Miller, 71, 68, 74; D Meisterlin, 71, 68, 74.

TENNIS

LAS VEGAS: Grand prix tournament: Quarter-finals (US unless stated): J Connors bt S Denton, 6-4, 6-4; H Pfister bt R Ramirez (Mex), 6-4, 5-1, retired; M Edmondson (Aus) bt S Giammalva, 6-1, 3-6, 6-2; R Van't Hof bt A Mayer, 6-3, 3-6, 6-1. Semi-finals: Connors bt Pfister, 6-3, 1-6, 7-5; Edmondson bt Van't Hof, 6-4, 6-4.
TOKYO: Men's singles final: T Fukui (Japan) bt M Wayman (GB), 6-4, 6-0.
ROYAL VICTRIA YC: Solent points race: Class 1: Yeoman XXIII (R Aisher), 2, Whirlwind (N Lister); 3, Black Tog (D Atkinson). Class 2: 1, Rakau (M Lowson, B Ferris); 2, Solent Oyster (J Bassett); 3, Framboise (G Thompson). Class 3: 1, Scenario Act II (A Fitton); 2, Fruit Cake (C Dunkel); 3, Temerave (Mr and Mrs A Bulmer). Class 4: Smiffy (J Fairchild, J Burrows); 2, Smokey Bear (P Cyriax); 3, Humming Bird (P Curtis). Class 5: 1, Hannah (H Sellars); 2, Star-Born (Mr and Mrs P Dickson); 3, Zadig (A Short).

CRICKET

SCHOOLS MATCHES: Grasshoppers 177-4 dec; *Charterhouse 141-6. King's, Chester 63; *King's, Macclesfield 65-3. North Oxford 37; *Radley 39-1. *St James, Grimsby 64; Lincolnshire Nondescripts 68-6. Wimbledon 144-6. Woodbridge 68; *Colchester RGS 69-2 (*home team).

FENNER'S: Cambridge University 192 for 7 v Leicestershire
THE PARKS: Oxford University 109 for 6 v Lancashire

RACING

Boutin breaks new ground with L'Emigrant

From Desmond Stoneham, French Racing Correspondent, Paris

Francois Boutin, who made the decision to run L'Emigrant in yesterday's Poule d'Essai des Poulains, and not next Saturday's 2,000 Guineas, was well rewarded, as the colt won the French classic at Longchamp. For Boutin, it was his first victory in the Poulains, and for jockey Cash Asmussen, his first-ever classic winner. L'Emigrant had a length to spare over Crystal Glitters, with the outsider Margouzed three-quarters of a length away third, and the English colt Sackford, a further length away fourth. The 6-4 favourite, Saint Cyrien, finished a tired sixth, and his future as a racehorse must, at the moment, be in doubt.

L'Emigrant carried the colours of the Greek shipping magnate Stavros Niarchos to victory for the second consecutive year, as Melyno took the classic last year when trained by the late Francois Mathet. The colt will now line up for the Prix Lupin on May 15. Bought for $360,000 at the Keeneland Select Sales by the Niarchos manager, Sir Philip Payne-Galwey in 1981, L'Emigrant was bred at the Boutin-managed Bedford farm in Kentucky.

For much of the mile contest, L'Emigrant was raced behind his pacemaker Conerton, who did and excellent job. Asmussen came smoothly through to take up the running just inside the two-furlong marker and the colt was always heading Crystal Glitters. Sackford, who was a little slow away, looked to have held on for third place until Margouzed appeared from nowhere

Asmussen remarked on dismounting: "Well, that went nicely to plan. I am sure he'll stay further, and he is the best three-year-old I have ever sat on." He then added: "Don't forget, I have been associated with three American champions."

Considering the ground, Crystal Glitters ran an excellent race. He now heads for the nine-furlong Prix Jean Prat on June 5. With another hundred yards left to run, the outsider Margouzed might have surprised the winner. Yann Pourzier had wanted Willy Carson to ride the colt but finally decided the extra cost was too much for a horse with such a small chance of being placed in yesterday's classic.

The main excuse for Sackford was that he was a little slow into his stride when it had been hoped to race him with the leaders. The colt was well there in the straight and looked as though he may stay a little further. He now goes for the Mecca Dante Stakes at York and then either the English or French Derby.

For the second time this season, I witnessed Criquette Head, with her father Alec, gazing in dismay at Saint Cyrien after a poor race-course performance. Speaking for his distressed daughter, Alec commented: "There is no Derby for him. There is something wrong somewhere, and I supposed with horses, it is like that." A little later, Criquette said: "We will now have a complete medical. I cannot understand, as he thrashes good horses like Pluralisme (winner of last Sunday's Prix de Guiche) in the gallop at home. Her brother Freddie's post-race comments were: "He ran a stinker. He pulled, would not settle and was finished by the straight."

Mrs Head reported Ma Biche is fine fettle, and she travels to Newmarket on Tuesday, together with Deep Roots, who will represent Pascal Bary in the 2,000 Guineas and will be ridden by Freddie Head. This morning Deep Roots will gallop with the François Boutin-trained Allverton, who might also line up for the English classic.

Caerleon disappoints

From Our Irish Racing Correspondent, Dublin

After the Danzatore saga, there was another debate for followers of the O'Brien stable when Caerleon, who had been heavily backed for the Derby in recent weeks, trailed in almost last in the Rogers Gold Cup Ballymoss Stakes at the Curragh on Saturday. Caerleon, who started at odds on, lost his place abruptly approaching the turn for home and Pat Eddery said that he began to gurgle. He subsequently suggested that a piece of mud may have lodged itself in the horse's throat.

With Caerleon out of contention the race produced an exciting finish with two necks separating Evening M'Lord, Karol and Nokurn. There is no prospect that Evening M'Lord will emulate last year's Ballymoss winner Golden Fleece, by going on to take the Derby, as he was gelded during the winter.

Eddery, who found an appropriate substitute for Lomond in the Tetrach Stakes in the shape of Salmon Leap. The news was somewhat discouraging about the work done by Salmon Leap, but in the race, he was always commanding his field and won with authority by two-and-a-half lengths from Sir Prince John. Salmon Leap is now to be aimed at the Airlie/Coolmore Irish 2,000 Guineas, a race won in controversial circumstances two seasons ago by his brother King's Lake.



Gordian overcomes a knotty problem in the shape of Neorion in Sandown's Classic Trial

Hermit must come out of shell

By Michael Seely

Steve Cauthen rides Wassl and Pat Eddery Lomond in next Saturday's 2,000 Guineas. These are the latest developments as we enter the final important week of the season. Cauthen gained his first English classic success on Tap on Wood in 1979, but Eddery will be seeking his first triumph in the Guineas on Vincent O'Brien's eleventh hour replacement for Danzatore.

The hermit of Ballydoyle has surpassed himself in his handling of the Danzatore affair. O'Brien has played the game of stallion promotion hard and successfully in the past 15 years. This has inevitably meant keeping his cards close to his chest. But on this occasion someone managed to have a look over the trainers shoulder before he declared his hand.

So, to have denied that Danzatore was working badly only 48 hours before his withdrawal cannot conceivably be regarded as a good exercise in public relations. We all acknowledge and admire O'Brien's professional genius, but his secrecy is becoming obsessive.

Ladbroke's have introduced Lomond into the 2,000 Guineas beeting at 10-1. Seattle Slew's half-brother won a maiden race easily at the Curragh as a two-year-old, but disappointed when only third behind his stable companion, Glenstal, in the National Stakes at the Curragh. He was – so they say – suffering from a throat infection afterwards and certainly proved his well being when beating the four-year-old Patron in the Gladness Stakes at the Curragh earliethis month. Gorytus and Diesis are now joint favourites for the Guineas at 11-4. Wassl is third favourite at 9-2.

In direct contrast to O'Bien, both Henry Cecil and Guy Harwood ere enjoying their exposure to the glare of the media at Sandown on Saturday. Cecil's Gucci shoes were dancing as the champion trainer strode busily about the track. The victories of Ivano in the Westbury Stakes and of Conrad Hilton in the Marcus Beresford Stakes, coupled with that of Diesis's galloping companion, Valiyar, at Leicester put Cecil in a happy mood.

The energetic Harwood was also relaxing in the unexpected sunshine after Greville Starkey and Gordian proved to strong for Neorion and Philip Robinson in the last furlong of the Gardian Classic Trial. Whether Gordian is going to follow in the footsteps of such previous winners as Troy, Henbit and Shergar may be open to question. But Stavros Niarchos's Grundy colt certainly deserves full arks for gameness.

The jockeys have been told to go slow for the first furlong or so by the stewards, as the ground by the 10-furlong start was the worst affected by the rain. They certainly carried out their instructions and the race developed onto a three-furlong sprint.

Russian Roubles ran unaccountably bad and Cock Robin, Polished Silver, Welsh Idol and Special Leave all launched unavailing challenges. Cock Robin, 2-1 favourite, was ill at ease in the going and the first to come off the bridle. It is unwise to make excuses for beaten horses and generally best to take results at their face value. But the ground was so testing and the time of the race so slow, that the only answer must be to hold a watching breif at present.

Gordian may go straight to Epsom without another run. "He doesn't take much getting fit," the trainer said, "and if I decide to give Gordian another race, I would have to find an uncompetitive one for him." Gordian's victory certainly paid a handsome tribute to his five-length Dewhurst Stakes conqueror, Diesis.

This was a marvellous afternoon's racing which had the crowd roaring their heads off with excitement. The enormous cantilever stand towering over Sandown's natural amphitheatre creates a perfect setting for that spectacular steeplechase the Whitbread Gold Cup.

There were still 10 runners in with a chance as they raced towards the pond fence, the third from home. But as they jumped the second last Royal Judgment, Prominent King and Drumlargan had singled themselves out from the remainder. Tim Easterby had ridden a superb race on Prominent King, but so too had his fellow amateur, Frank Codd, on Drumlargan who proved too strong.

Drumlargan's victory gave Eddie O'Grady the second leg of a magnificent spring double. The Tipperary trainer having already won the Irish Grand National on Easter Monday with Bit of a Skite. Drumlargan was operated on for a soft palate by Geoffrey Braine in January. He had run well for a long way behind his stable companion at Fairyhouse and was not unfancied on Saturday, certainly not if the cheers around the unsaddling enclosure were anything to go by.

A gamble went astray in the Esher Cup when the 5-2 favourite, Shareef Dancer, was beaten by So True. But the coup of the day seems to have been landed in the Tim Doody Road Marking Stakes at Kelso. Despite Run in Tune's starting price of 25-1, his victory was anticipated by a bold course punter who staked £500 at those odds. Congratulations are due to the successful owner-trainer, Don Eddy, a coin and stamp dealer from Stocksfield in Northumberland. Mr Eddy's plan to win £250,000 over Arrigle Boy in the Grand National may have ended in disaster, but Run in Tune made no mistake.

SWIMMING: HEARTENING VICTORY OVER THE NETHERLANDS

Friendly rivalry augurs well for British hopes in Rome

By Athole Still

An under-strength and largely inexperienced British team scored a surprisingly convincing victory over the Netherlands by 194 points to 166 in the international match sponsored by The Yorkshire Bank in Blackpool over the weekend.

There were few performances of genuine international significance, but this was to be expected from swimmers who were adjusting to their first long-course outing of the season after a winter of racing in the less demanding conditions of 25 metre pools. Nevertheless there was considerable evidence to suggest that British competitors are destined for a successful season.

The 18-year-old Jackie Willmott (Borough of Redbridge), the world championship silver medal winner, shrugged off the effect of a persistent bronchial infection in winning her specialist 800 metres freestyle and 400 metres medley. Both times bettered the B grade qualifying limits for the European championships in Rome in August. These standards guarantee selection unless achieved by more than two Britons during the season.

Perhaps more significant and satisfying from a British point of view were the performances of Miss Willmott's ever improving 14-year-old club mate Sarah Hardcastle, who also achieved the standard in both events and improved Miss Willmott's British and English junior record by 1.39 sec in finishing only .33 sec behind her daily training companion in the 400 metres freestyle.

Of the other home competitors only Paul Easter (City of Coventry), Maria Scott (Fleetwood) and Lorraine Burt (Reading) also achieved qualifying times for Rome in the 200 metres freestyle, 400 metres individual medley and 100 metres breast stroke respectively. But these apparently unimpressive statistics should be considered in conjunction with the fact that this was a young squad.

SATURDAY: Men: 100m freestyle: K Rees (Neth), 52.87sec; 100m butterfly: E Masadik (Neth), 56.82; 400m freestyle: P Easter (GB), 3min 59.41sec; 200m backstroke: N Cochran (GB), 2:8.63; 100m breaststroke: K Adnans (GB), 1:7.41; 400m individual medley: G Binfield (GB), 4:34.89; 4 x 200m freestyle relay: The Netherlands [illegible]. Women: [illegible]

SUNDAY: Men 100 metres Backstroke: [illegible] Men 200 metres Breaststroke: [illegible] Men 200 metres Freestyle: 1, P Easter (GB), 1.53.82 [illegible]

Dziona (Neth) 1:57.62; 5, S Harris (GB) 1:57.63. 200 metres butterfly: 1, F Drost (Neth), 2:4.33; 2, N Hodgson (GB), 2:6.23; 3, P Morris (GB), 2:8.40. 200 metres individual medley: [illegible] 100 Metres Medley Relay: 1, Great Britain [illegible]

WOMEN – 100 Metres Breaststroke: [illegible]

ICE HOCKEY: WASPS WITH BUTTERFLY STINGS



Many a slip: Wasps whack an early goal before slithering out. Picture: John Evans.

Until Saturday night at Streatham, Rod Binns had a 100 per cent record in his career as a head coach, but then the British Championship final, sponsored by Heineken, spoiled it, Robert Pryce writes. Dundee Rockets found the solution to Binns' formula for success by beating Durham Wasps 6-2.

For a while, Durham were allowed to hope that fun could continue. With Katernyuk once again formidably solid in goal, they survived a number of penalties and the sustained Dundee pressure to emerge form the second period only 2-1 in arrears. Dundee's three canadians had been working exhaustingly long shifts in an attempt to stretch the lead, by rights they ought to have been decreasingly effective.

Instead, Dundee removed all doubts at the beginning of the last period with a burst of three goals on 71 seconds. "They just got it right," said Binns afterwards. "For two minutes everything worked."

Nothing much worked for Durham, who had clinched the English title the previous night by beating Cleveland Bombers 8-2. Against Dundee's quick and experienced defencemen, they were unable to sustain their usual pressure. Against the swiftly interchanging Dundee forwards, they could not exert their usual dominance close to goal. They were playing their fourth game in eight days, and they were up against a team which, in its present incarnation, has never lost to them. In such circumstances, 6-2 was a respectable result.

British championship final: Dundee Rockets 6 (R Wood 2, A Wood, Lovlane, Hallen, Pennycook); Durham Wasps 2 (P Smith, Tindall). English final: Durham Wasps 8 (P Johnson 2, Clements, Bennett 2, P Smith), Cleveland 2 (Earl, McParland).

CYCLING

Professionals put in their place by amateur

By John Wilcockson

Many people have wondered why an amateur, Albert Wekema, of the Netherlands, defeated a professional, Tony Doyle, from Middlesex, in the Sealink International which ended on Saturday in Sheffield after 470 miles and six days of excellent racing.

Doyle, who is best know for winning the world 5,000 metres pursuit championship shortly after he turned professional in 1980, duly won the 93-mile fifth stage from Birmingham through the Peak District. But the 14 seconds he gained on Wekema with an attack in the last, uphill mile was too little, too late.

It was commendable that Doyle continued his challenge right until the final turn of the pedals in a sunny Norfolk Park and that he was not demoralized after his Dutch rival has scored a remarkable three victories at Sandown, Bracknell and Bath.

Ironically, Wekema is the more exprerienced rider of the pair. This was his sixth Sealink race. His best previous performance came in 1980, when he was third overall behind Bob Downs, the last British winner. The same year Doyle made his only other appearance in the race, finishing twentysixth.

Aged 26, Wekema has the style and physique to become one of the world's leading riders and it is no surprise to learn that he will be turning professional after competing next month in the Warsaw-Berlin-Prague Peace Race and the Olympia Tour of Holland.

The change is status will not change dramitically his lifestyle. Wekema has been racing for six years in the Batavus sponsored amateur team under the managership of Piet Hoekstra, a former professional. The Dutch success last week was achieved through disciplined teamwork by six men, all member of the Batavus squad.

In contrast, the 24-year-old Doyle and the others in the British Professionals team each has a different sponsor and they came together only for this event. It was perhaps remarkable that they came so close to victory.

Thanks to generous sponsorship by the RMC building materials group, Doyle will earn perhaps £25,000 this year, which enables him to be one of the few home-based professionals who dedicates his time fully to cycling. He is set on regaining his world title at Zurich in August and he sees the Sealink and next month's Milk Race as key phases in his preparation for the championships.

The inclusion of professionals for the first time in last week's event was an unqualified success.

Stage 5a: Birmingham to Sheffield (93 miles): 1, A Doyle (British Professionals), 3hr 37min 50sec; 2, Z Szczepkowski (Pol), 3:37:58; 33, A Wekema (Neth), 3:37:59; 4, P Thomas (Brit Pros), 3:37:59; 5, J van Dalon (Neth), 3:38:07, 6, T Cerny (Cz), 3:38:10.

Stage 5b: Time trial (½ mile). 1, M Elliott (GB) 1min 51.2sec; 2, A Wekema, 1:52.0; 3, S Barras (PCA), 1:52.4, 4, S Joughin (PCA), 1:54.3; 5, J Gernier (Fra), 1:54.4; 6, P Curran (Eng), 1:55.1.

Final results: 1, Wekema, 19hr 9min 46sec; 2, Doyle, 19:10:50; 3, Szczepkowski, 19:11:20; 4, Cerny, 19:13:03; 5, P Bayton (Brit Pros), 19:14:31; 6, Van Dalon, 19:16.30; 7, M Kulas (Pol), 19:19:49; 8, H Bouwman (Neth), 19:24.35; 9, Z Ludwiniak (Pol), 19:24:46; 10, R Downs (GB), 19:24:46. Teams: 1, Netherlands, 57:31:08; 2, Poland, 57:31:51; 3, British Professionals, 57:32:57. Mountains: 1, Szczepkowski, 100 pts, 2, M Morrison (PCA), 67; 3, Kulas, 57. Points: 1, Wekema, 92; 2 Doyle, 62, 3, Szczepkowski, 56.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Canada lose fair and square

From Joyce Whitehead.

Kuala Lumpur – Three goals in the second half by Marjolein Eysvogel gave the Netherlands victory in the women's hockey World Cup for the second time when they beat Canada 4-2 in the final on Saturday. The goals were the first the Dutch winger had scored in the entire tournament.

The Canadians had surprised the top seeds by taking a 2-1 lead but celebrations were cut short by a devastating 20-minutes period in which Miss Eysvogel scored three splendid goals.

Unbeaten in all their qualifying matches, the Netherlands showed the skill and power which had swept them through the tournament to eliminate the world champions West Germany in the semi-finals. But the Netherlands played courageously, and were deservedly awarded the Fair Play trophy after a match umpired by Scotland's Margot Barr.

Although England dropped from third seeds to fifth place they scored the greatest number of goals in the 42 matches played. Jane Swinnerton (Staffordshire) was the top scorer with 10.

FINAL POSITIONS – 1, Netherlands; 2, Canada, 3, Australia; 4, West Germany; 5, England; 6, United States, 7, New Zealand; 8, Scotland; 9, Argentina; 10, USSR; 11, India; 12 Wales

Canada has made a bid to host the next women's World Cup in 1986. The Canadian team manager, Marina van der Merwe, said that the International Hocky Fedration had been notified. "We are working out the technical details and there should be no difficulty

Brighton

Draw advantage: low numbers best.

1.45 CONFLANS HANDICAP (3-y-o: 6f: £1,732) (14 runners)

1 20030-1 MOUNT KELLETT (D) (K Hsu) R Armstrong 9-7 ... L Piggott 13
3 42420- SUFFREO (Hamdan Al-Maktoum) C Benstead 8-11 ... B Rouse 3
4 26010-4 LA PERRICHOLI (D) (E Johnston) D Marks 8-8 ... M Kettle 6
5 0034- BE MY DARLING (Elisha Holding) G Lewis 8-6 ... P Waldron 2
6 040160- ENGLISH STAR (I. C. S. 'Southern) D Oughton 8-5 ... A Murray 14
8 00400-0 PORTO IRENE (Mrs P Tucker) D C Tucker 8-2 ... – 10
9 00-4 DAHA (B) (Sheikh Mohammed) J Dunlop 8-1 ... W Carson 11
10 000- SOUND AND HAPPY (E Glenn) A Ingham 8-1 ... – 7
11 004130- TEMPLE BAR MAID (P Felton) D Wilson 8-0 ... B Crossley 4
12 103000- STEADY MUSIC (D) (Tendermeat 'London) C Nelson 7-13 ... M Hills 5 9
14 000- LADY CLEMENTINE (D Hunnicett) B Swift 7-11 ... M L Thomas 12
15 00000-0 PADDY BELLE (Mrs P Tucker) D C Tucker 7-9 ... – 1
16 100260- DIDO (D) (Mrs P Cole) P Cole 7-9 ... T Quinn 5 8
16 0000- PROMISE OF SPRING (Miss C Leigh) P Burgoyne 7-7 ... R Street 5

2 Mount Kellett, 3 Suffred, 4 Be My Darling, 6 La Perricholi, 13-2 Daha, 8 English Star, 16 others

2.15 TOWN PURSE HANDICAP (1m 4f: £1,710) (20)

1 /0300-0 REGENT LEISURE (Radion Ltd) R Simpson 4-9-10 ... B Jago 3
2 4343-13 SWINGING MOON (D) (K Cooper) A Ingham 4-9-7 ... G Ramshaw 1
4 032040- BUNCE BOY (CD) (M Sanderson) Miss A Sinclair 7-9-4 ... J Matthias 14
5 003030/ SANDHAVEN (B) (H Musson) D Grissell 6-9-3 ... D McKeown 3 10
6 311240/ PRINCE BLESS (T Hayward) Mrs N Smith 5-9-2 ... W R Swinburn 4
7 0000-00 PROFIT WARRANT (Dr P Wu) Pat Mitchell 4-9-2 ... – 11
8 004334- MORVERN (B) (J Forsyth) J Jenkins 4-9-0 ... J Mercer 12
9 0301- VAL CLIMBER (D) (I. C. S. 'Southern) D Oughton 5-8-13 ... A Murray 20
10 0110d-4 INCHGOWER (CD) (Miss D Downes) W Wightman 6-8-12 ... B Rouse 19
11 /004-40 WIDD (D) (T Mills) D Mills 6-8-12 ... M Kettle 8
12 /00000- NO SALE (J Riddell) R A Atkins 4-8-10 ... J Williams 13
13 231134- LADY KAMINA (C) (J Viall) P Haynes 4-8-10 ... N Dawe 5 7
14 40040- TWICE AS FRESH (Mrs B Bacon) A Moore 4-8-10 ... T Rogers 5
15 41/000- MORICE (J Horgan) R Hannon 5-8-9 ... P Eddery 9
17 0/5000- SOMERSDAY (M Small) M Francis 4-8-7 ... S Keightley 7 15
18 4200-00 SYMPATIQUE (C), (B) (P Hannen) N Gaselee 5-8-7 ... W Carson 17
19 000030- BARNABY SAM (Mrs P Mitchell) P Mitchell 4-8-7 ... B Crossley 2
21 100000- TOPORI (J Pegley) S Woodman 4-8-6 ... T Ives 18
22 004003- WORLINGWORTH WALTZ (A Bateson) D Jermy 4-8-4 ... – 6
26 002000/ SKATEBOARD (T Brunton) D Wilson 7-8-2 ... J Martin 16

3 Swinging Moon, 4 Bunce Boy, 5 Val Climber, 13-2 Inchgower, 7 Prince Bless, Morvern, 10 Morice 12 Lady Kamina, 14 others.

2.45 PETWORTH HANDICAP (selling: £1,023: 1m 2f) (22)

2 000000- PASSING MOMENT (M Walsh) J Jenkins 4-9-8 ... J Mercer 8
3 /00000- THE CLIFTONIAN (Mrs N Parish) P Butler 5-9-5 ... DOUBTFUL
4 030010- SAND LADY (Ferrell) J Jenkins 6-9-3 ... M Gilchrist 7 15
5 40400-4 GREATEST HITS (D), (B) (J Urch) R Holder 6-8-13 ... G Starkey 1
8 300000- STONEHENGE (D) (P Allen) P Burgoyne 6-8-13 ... – 22
9 130/ BIONIC BILL (C) (J Grimwade) J Old 8-8-11 ... S Keightley 7 16
10 030430- TARA'S CHIEFTAIN (B) (Mrs V Maunders) R Atkins 5-8-11 ... J Williams 12
11 00-0 GRAND GRUNDY (Smart Leisure) P Ashworth 4-8-10 ... B Rouse 14
13 00400/ STUCK FOR WORDS (D) (Mrs S Bunn) A Moore 5-8-10 ... A Murray 19
14 0/0000- LA GAVINA (B) (Mrs G Benney) W Wightman 4-8-9 ... T Ives 21
15 44440-8 MR MUSIC MAN (C) (Mrs C Reavey) Mrs C Reavey 8-8-9 ... T Rogers 4
16 022202- MAIDA VALE (J Woodman) S Woodman 4-8-9 ... L Piggott 2
17 0000-00 HOT ANNA (P Feilden) P Feilden 4-8-9 ... Joana Feilden 7 9
18 0/0000- LADY EN DOUCE (J Bridger) J Bridger 4-8-8 ... W R Swinburn 18
19 40030- UNIT TENT (D) (Atlas Display) G Lewis 5-8-8 ... P Waldron 5
20 0/0000- VERAMENTE (D Grissell) D Grissell 8-8-8 ... D McKeown 5 7
21 030000- BUD'S GIFT (J Sayers) G Balding 4-8-7 ... A Geran 7 20
22 0/0440- LORD OF MISRULE (B) (M Haynes) M Haynes 9-8-7 ... K Woolnough 7 10
23 /0030-0 OOPS-A-DAISY (B) (J Pyke) R Hartop 4-8-6 ... J Matthias 3
24 00/040- GO DIANA (M Bulltitude) K Beasley 6-8-5 ... B Crossley 13
25 000- GREG-NA-BAA (Mrs P Coates) D Jermy 4-8-5 ... I Jenkinson 17
27 0000-0 BAHHR (Y Nasib) N Callaghan 3-8-5 ... P Eddery 6

13-8 Greatest Hits, 3 Maida Vale, 5 Mr Music Man, 6 Stonehenge, 8 Sand Lady, 10 Tara's Chieftain, 14 others.

3.15 ORLEANS STAKES (2-y-o: £1,707: 5f) (10)

1 1 ANY BUSINESS (D) (Mrs V Lewis) G Lewis 9-4 ... DOUBTFUL
2 1 STANLEY THE BARON (D) (Beamere Ltd) K Brassey 9-4 ... B Crossley 9
4 BARBICAN AIRE (Mrs B O'Mara) R Hoad 8-11 ... R Curant 6
5 0 MIKEV (M Channon) A Bailey 8-11 ... DOUBTFUL
6 CAHSMERE QUEEN (Mrs M Ash) M Hinchliffe 8-8 ... L Piggot 1
7 0 DUBREE (T Nicholls) D Jermy 8-8 ... G Ramshaw 3
9 MY CHERIE (R Voorspuy) R Voorspuy 8-8 ... R Still 6
11 VALIANT DANCER (B Taylor) Peter Taylor 8-8 ... B Rouse 4
13 WOLVER PLUME (B Taylor) Peter Taylor 8-8 ... A Murray 7
14 WYLDWYCH LASS (Miss P Ambler) M Haynes 8-8 ... I Jenkinson 2

4-7 Stanley The Baron, 3 Cashmere Queen, 5 Wytchwych Lass, 10 others.

3.45 SIDNEY THOMPSON STAKES (£3,140: 1m) (17)

1 111002- I'LL SEE YOU (CD) (Capt M Lemos) C Brittain 5-9-12 ... P Robinson 1
2 030033- CUMULUS (C) (Mrs D Atkins) R Atkins 5-9-8 ... J Williams 8
3 02010-0 RAWLINSON END (CD) (T S Smith) D Laing 5-9-8 ... R Curant 13
4 201231- BOXBERGER BEAUTY (W Nuy) M Ryan 4-9-5 ... G Starkey 9
5 040-300 BASIL BOY (B Haywood) 4-9-3 ... P Eddery 11
7 0/0050- BUNTER (D) (F Crouch) A Moore 5-9-0 ... B Rouse 3
9 0220-00 WINART (D) (S Shefras) G Pritchard-Gordon 5-9-0 ... W Carson 2
10 3240- TYPHOON POLLY (Countess of Donoughmore) P Walwyn 4-8-11 ... J Mercer 5
11 3400-0 BOY PIPER (Mrs L Downham) M Haynes 4-8-9 ... I Jenkinson 10
13 0440/0 DHANTERAS (Esal Commodities) G Lewis 5-8-9 ... P Waldron 12
14 0 EUROLINK BOY Eurolink Computer) R Hoad 4-8-9 ... W R Swinburn 14
15 /03090- KORYPHEOS (C PApaioannou) P Mitchell 4-8-9 ... M McGhin 7
15 00/ OLD STAGER (Mrs A Dawes) D Grissell 5-8-9 ... D McKeown 3 6
18 P- RED GARLAND (A Andrews) A Andrews 4-8-9 ... – 4
20 1323-4 AYMAN (HAmdan Al-Maktoum) Thomson Jones 3-8-0 ... R Hills 3 15
21 323214- DABDOUB (S HAdeed) P Cole 3-8-0 ... T Quinn 5 17
23 02030-0 AMARONE (V Advani) R Simpson 3-7-11 ... B Crossley 16

2 Typhoon Polly, 3 Ayman, 4 I'll See You, 5 Dabdoub, 7 Winart, 8 Basil Boy, 16 others.

4.15 PRINCE OF WALES STAKES (3-y-o: £2,589: 1m 2f) (15)

2 33432-1 DHOFAR (D) (Lt-Col E Harries) G Pritchard-Gordon 9-8 ... A Murray 8
3 8-1 FAWG (D) (K Abdulla) G Harwood 9-6 ... G Starkey 12
4 01 LOCHBOISDALE (D), (E) (E Ryan) J Tree 9-6 ... P Eddery 3
5 54-21 HIGH HAWK (D) (Sheikh Mohammed) J Dunlop 9-3 ... W Carson 2
7 6-00 BLITHE BARD (B) (Mrs A Hoffberger) R Houghton 9-0 ... D Price 7 4
10 4 FLOYD (B Franklin) P Cole 9-0 ... T Quinn 5 9
13 000000- LITTLE GRIMALDI (D O Callaghan) S Matthews 9-0 ... D McFeaters 7 14
15 000402- NYPUS (N Spreadbury) D Wilson 9-0 ... B Crossley 10
16 000-0 RED ZEPHYR (U Schwarzenbach) R Hannon 9-0 ... – 13
17 0 SPINNAKER RUN (Mrs E Kessly) P Haynes 9-0 ... J Mercer 1
18 SYMBOLIC (C Bridge) G Harwood 9-0 ... K Butler 5
19 000- THAT'S INCREDIBLE (F Chau) Pat Mitchell 9-0 ... – 11
20 0- TIGRETTA (J McCaughey) R Simpson 9-0 ... W R Swinburn 7
21 0303-0 TOUGH COMMANDER (K Hsu) R Armstrong 9-0 ... L Piggott 6
22 00000- AIR GIRL (B) (S Digby) W Wightman 8-11 ... T Ives 15

11-4 Tough Commander, 3 Fawg, 4 Dhofar, 5 Lochboisdale, 6 High Hawk, 8 Floyd, 16 others.

Brighton selections

By Our Racing Staff

1.45 Mount Kellett, 2.15 Bunce Boy, 2.45 Greatest Hits, 3.15 Stanley The Baron, 3.45 Winart, 4.15 Fawg.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

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Southwell

2.30 SAXBY CHASE (handicap: £1,338: 2m 74yd) (13 runners)

2 0324 LISADORN (CD) O Brennan 6-11-7 ... M Brennan
5 1-000 CORRECT CHECK D McCain 9-11-1 ... S J O'Neil
6 00PP GOLDEN CYMBAL I Wardle 8-10-13 ... A Brown
7 0001 ROYAL DON J Leigh 8-10-10 ... Mr C O'Toole 7
9 2F13 SOME JINKS (CD) W Clay 7-10-8 ... M Elliott 4
10 0/033 BURMA PINK R Haigh 10-10-6 ... K Jones 7
13 0002 FOREST LODGE (B) J Perrett 8-10-5 ... A Webber
19 00-09 WHITCLIFFE K White 8-10-1 ... R Dickin
20 0-00F HOPE GAP B Wise 7-10-1 ... J Akehurst
22 0RP0 TOUMANOVA (B) Mrs E Courage 6-10-0 ... T Andrews 4
25 0F40 FRENCH ART (CD B) N Bycroft 11-10-0 ... D Oldham
31 0002 POOR EXCUSE (B) O Henley 8-10-0 ... W Worthington 7
32 P000 SCOTTISH HIGHWAY M Castell 7-10-0 ... Mr M Castell

5-2 Lisadorn, 7-2 Some Jinks, 9-2 Royal Don, 6 Poor Excuse, 8 Forest Lodge, 10 Burma Pink, Golden Cymbal, 14 others.

3.0 RAINWORTH HURDLE (selling: £647: 2m) (11)

2 F429 ANDY LOU R Jeffrey 5-11-10 ... J Hansen 4
4 200 QUEENSBURY BOY J Norton 5-11-10 ... G Graham
5 0-0 S D DEMO O Henley 5-11-10 ... P Carvill
6 0400 UNDISMAYED Mrs K Bull 5-11-10 ... C Mcilfatrick 7
13 CHEMIMAN D Weeden 4-10-9 ... G McCourt
14 oPo CLOUDS HEAVEN Mrs K Bull 4-10-9 ... J A Harris
17 0000 KINGFISHER WONDER R Barr 4-10-9 ... –
18 2202 LEGS OF MAN O Brennan 4-10-9 ... M Brennan
20 0220 LORD CHARLES (B) Mrs K Bull 4-10-9 ... S Johnson 4
21 U METRO MAID (B) W Clay 4-10-9 ... M Elliott 4
24 0PP0 SEA CLAIRE K Bridgwater 4-10-9 ... W Worthington 7

7-4 Legs Of Man, 3 Lord Charles, 5 Queensbury Boy, 7 Andy Lou, 10 Metro Maid, 12 Undismayed, 14 others.

3.30 LISSINGTON CHASE (handicap: £1,269: 3m 110yd) (9)

2 2-112 HONOURABLE MAN (CD) Mrs P Russell 10-11-11 ... Mr D Browne
6 2P11 SANTA NOEL (CD) J Leigh 7-10-11 ... R Dickin
11 00F0 PERSIAN WANDERER (B) Mrs J Besby 10-10-7 ... C Mann 4
12 0411 BAYHAM SIR VARDON (C) G Graham 9-10-6 ... J Akehurst 4
15 32PP GARRICK SWAINE Miss G Jennings 10-10-0 ... C Pimlott
17 4F04 SASPRING P O'Connor 8-10-0 ... A Broughan 7
20 3044 PAMPAS DEMON (C) B Temple 10-10-0 ... –
22 46F4 DICKWYN B Charnely 11-10-0 ... Mr T Donnelly 7
24 P6P0 JIM BUTT G Lee 9-10-0 ... –

Evens Honourable Man, 3 Santa Noel, 9-2 Bayham Sir Vardon, 6 Pampas Demon, 12 Saspring, 16 others.

4.0 RETFORD HURDLE (handicap: £1,323: 2m 4f) (18)

4 0009 BROOMLEY W Elsey 10-11-7 ... P Holmes 7
7 0009 TOM NOEL (CD B) R Barr 8-11-5 ... –
8 1311 SANDMOOR COURT (CD) H Westbrook 5-11-5 ... S Smith Eccles
9 0P40 LEX N Callaghan 6-11-5 ... –
14 3120 ATHENS STAR (D) J Bradley 8-11-2 ... G Davies
19 1000 GALA LAD (CD) N Bycroft 9-10-12 ... K Jones 7
22 4210 NAVIGATIONAL AID W Holden 6-10-11 ... S McNeill
23 U-000 CHANDHEER W Clay 7-10-10 ... M Elliott 4
25 021F GEMBRIDGE JUPITER (C) C Trietline 5-10-7 ... –
29 000 FINE TALE M Cornell 7-10-5 ... J Snaith
30 0P30 DIOKLIS (C) M Barraclough 5-10-4 ... –
31 0000 SUPREME VISTA B Richmond 10-10-4 ... J Ricketts 7
35 0010 MR SNOW (B) W Tinning 8-10-0 ... C Pimlott
38 0030/ SHARP FIDDLE (CD) J Harris 8-10-0 ... J A Harris
41 1800 ENTERPRISE EXPRESS P Bevan 5-0-0 ... T Wall 4
42 0000 FLYING SHUTTLE B Morgan 5-10-0 ... P Barry
43 0001 CASHED IN K White 7-10-0 ... M Charles 4
44 P022 HAYWIRE (B) M Keegan 9-10-0 ... J Akehurst 4

11-4 Sandmoor Court, 4 Athens Star, 5 Navigational Aid, 13-2 Lex, 8 Cashed In, 10 Haywire, 12 Gala Lad, 14 Chandheer, 16 Dioklis, 20 others.

4.30 WOODBOROUGH HUNTERS' CHASE (amateurs novices: £709: 3m 110yd) (15)

2 P300 ARUPTAGUM W Raw 7-12-0 ... –
3 BAULKING BYWAY Mrs A Bray 8-121-0 ... R Harper 7
5 00- CARFIELD G Thornton 11-12-0 ... –
6 FPPP/ DUNKILD R Jeffrey 10-12-0 ... –
7 2330F FALSE BAY J Heler 8-12-0 ... –
12 000/2 HIGHGATE LADY Mrs S Scott 6-12-0 ... J Sharp 4
14 00-C0 JOAT Miss M Sherrington 7-12-0 ... K Tellwright 7
19 2/FP-0 MILAN CITY Mrs R Newton 10-12-0 ... J Newton
20 0000 MISS PRAGUE R Voorspuy 9-12-0 ... G Wragg 7
21 0/00F MISTER MAXWELL B Munro-Wilson 8-12-0 ... B Munro-Wilson
22 04- MONK'S FESTIVAL P Blanchard 10-12-0 ... –
26 3 SWINGING LIGHT D Nott 9-12-0 ... –
27 000/P- WHAT YOU WILL Mrs J Maron 8-12-0 ... –
28 FF-00 WRECKIT W Clarke 8-12-0 ... –
29 WREKIN FLAME Mrs J Fraser 5-11-6 ... S Bowen

3 Highgate Lady, 9-2 Mister Maxwell, 5 False Bay, 6 Monk's Festival, 7 Swinging Light, 8 Joat, 12 others.

5.0 LAXTON HURDLE (novices: £414: 2m) (14)

2 1 CONS PAL (D) D Wintle 5-11-10 ... R Hyett
3 00 MONALEIGH P Berry (IRE) 7-11-10 ... –
6 COTTAGERS LANE T Barron 7-11-3 ... S Charlton
11 0P KILLOSSERA BELLE K Bridgwater 5-11-3 ... W Worthington 7
12 00- KIXLEY KIT J Howell 5-11-3 ... R Crank
13 P0/ KOKET R Redgrave 6-11-3 ... A Webber
14 PARVA LADY G Gaines 8-11-3 ... D Dutton
16 033 SCOTCH PRINCESS R Chugg 5-11-3 ... J Burke
19 TAKUN TILLY R Layland 5-11-3 ... –
21 2101 TOP GOLD (D) Mrs K Bull 4-11-0 ... C Mcilpatrick 7
23 00 LA BIRD H Wharton 4-10-7 ... P Berry
25 02 MANOR FARM TOOTS M Tompkins 4-10-7 ... S J O'Neill
30 0003 SPARE WHEEL (D) J Bradley 4-10-7 ... G Davies
31 00 STREAMON M Camacho 4-10-7 ... D Oldham

2 Top Gold, 11-4 Manor Farm Toots, 4 Spare Wheel, 6 Cons Pal, 8 Scotch Princess, 10 Streamon, 12 others.

Southwell selections

By Our Racing Staff

2.30 Some Jinks 3.0 Queensbury Boy 3.30 Honourable Man 4.0 Navigational Aid 4.30 Highgate Lady 5.0 Spare Wheel.

Saturday's results

Sandown Park

1.45: 1, Carabineer (9-2); 2, Time Machine (11-10fav); 3, Dancing Barron (8-1). 6 ran. NR: Adam's Peak.

2.15: 1, Gordian (10-1); 2, Neorion (33-1); 3, Welsh Idol (7-1). Cock Robin 2-1fav. 7 ran.

2.55: 1, Drumlargan (11-1); 2, Prominent King (18-1); 3, Royal Judgement (13-2). Greasepaint 11-2fav. 15 ran. NR: Fortune Seeker.

3.35: 1, Ivano (4-6fav); 2, Rocamadour (14-1); 3, Jalmood (4-1). 7 ran.

4.10: 1, So True (25-1); 2, Shareef Dancer (5-2fav); 3, Larioner (7-1). 11 ran.

4.40: 1, Conrad Hilton (5-4fav); 2, Blesak (14-1); 3, Reggae (10-1). 11 ran.

Leicester

1.30: 1, Sandy River (25-1); 2, Kung Fu Master (4-1); 3, Evans Export (7-2fav). 11 ran.

2.0: 1, We'll Meet Again (3-1); 2, Steel Venture (12-1); 3, Quistador (11-1). Crimson Knight 5-2fav. 12 ran.

2.30: 1, Valiyar (100-30 fav); 2, Jester (100-30 fav); 3, Murillo (7-1). 14 ran.

3.0: 1, Royston Place (5-2); 2, Just Irene (7-4fav); 3, Little Topper (11-2). 5 ran.

4.0: 1, Speed of Music (5-1); 2, Welsh Glory (4-5fav); 3, Kalyoub (9-2). 12 ran.

4.30: 1, Vino Rosso (5-2fav); 2, The House Builder (11-4); 3, Fatty's Choice (25-1). 11 ran.

Kelso

2.0 1, Hill's Guard (4-7 Fav); 2, Shmain (5-2), 3, Viingo (14-1). 10 ran. NR: Bitofaslipper, Demonic.

2.30 On Leave (2-1) Fav); 2, All Expense (10-1); 3, Miss Appollo (8-1). 14 ran.

3.0 1, Little Frenchman (2-1); 2, Worthy Heiress (13-2); 3, Green Menetek (16-1). Don't Wait 7-4 Fav. 8 ran. NR: Newgate.

3.30 1, Gortnahoe Boy (3-1 Fav); 2, Pen Royal (8-1); 3, First April (4-1). 14 ran. NR: Irish Geordie, Moody Lady.

4.0 1, Four Fathoms (5-1); 2, Artsum (4-1 Jt Fav); 3, Viscount (5-1). French Art and Supreme Sail 4-1 Jt Favs. 8 ran.

4.30 1, Border Brig (7-2); 2, Quay's Luck (7-4 Fav); 3, What a Coup (15-8). 5 ran. NR: Bonvalia.

5.0 1, Run In Tune (25-1); 2, Goosey Gander (13-8 Fav); 3, Golden Fancy (7-1). 28 ran. NR: Aonoch and Night Pearl.

Point-to-point

DARTMOOR: Hunt: Princely Rifle. Adjacent: Dicky Blob. OPEN: Sticking Hall. Ladies: Frevolity. BPR: Dorset Farmer. Maiden: What a Chance.

FIFE: Restricted: Indian Maize. A: Flying Ace. O: Vulgans Strike. L: Foolish Hero. Mdn: Flaunt the Flag.

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Today's Warwick meeting was called off yesterday because of a waterlogged course. Saturday's meeting at Beverley, Market Rasen and Uttoxeter were also cancelled.

Guineas riding plans

1,000 GUINEAS: Acorcas Prediction–I Jenkinson; Anne Edge–J Reid; Favoridge–P Eddery; Flamenco–P Cook; Habibti–W Carson; Henrys Secret–G Starkey; Indian Lady–P Waldron; La Grigia–B Taylor; Ma Biche–F Head; Octavia Girl–B Rouse; Rare Roberta–T Quinn; Royale Heroine–W R Swinburn; Shore Line–W Newnes; Sid Sailing–S Cauthen; Solimile–T Ives.

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Longchamp

POULE D'ESSAI DES POULAINS (Group 1) (3-y-o colts: £45,746: 1m)

L'EMIGRANT B C by The Minstrel-Suprina (S Niarchos) 9-2 ... C Asmussen 1
Crystal Glitters ... A Gibert 2
Margouzed ... A Lequeux 3

PARI MUTUEL: 3.80 (coupled with Conterton. Places: 1.80, 5.70, 3.60. DF: 67.40. F Boutin. 1l, nk. Sackford (4th). 10 ran. 1m 46.3s

PRIX JEAN PRAT (Group 2) £18,298: 1m 7f 110yd

KELBOMEC B C by Direct flight-piqueuse (Mme J Barker) 7-9-0 ... J-C Desaint 1
Karkour ... F Head 2
Donec ... Y Saint-Martin 3

PARI MUTUEL: 5.10 PL 1.20, 1.40, 1.10. DF: 14.30. J-C Cunnington. Hd ¾l. Indian King (4th). 9 ran. 3m 37.3s.

Saint-Cloud

PRIX CORRIDA (group 3) £14,639 for 4-y-o and up fillies and mares 1m 2f 110yd

RADIANCE b f, by Blakeney – Sybarite (Sir Robin McAlpine) 4-9-0 A Gibert 1
Rattle (A G Dubroeuco 2
Rudolfina D Vincent 3

Also: Gold Bird (4), Tarmina (5), One Flag (6), Top Nice (7), Thimpu (8), Zalataia (9), Tudorville (10), Baksyla. 11 ran. 2l, ¾l, 1l, nk, 2l, 1½l, nk, 1l, 2m 27.2s. Trained: E Bartholomew.

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Right Bank proved too smart for the British-trained What Lake in the £22,361 Premi Regina Elena (Italian 1000 Guineas) at the Capannelle, Rome, yesterday. Lester Piggott brought Ben Hanbury's filly with a strong run on the rails approaching the final furlong.

However, Right Bank was also making her effort on the wide outside. The pair headed the long-time leader, Tajwind, with a furlong to run, but it was soon clear that What Lake was no match for her rival, who raced clear

STATE OF GOING: Brighton: good; Southwell: heavy; Nottingham (Tomorrow): heavy; Bath: soft; Thirsk: soft; Perth: good to soft; Plumpton: heavy.

BLINKERED FIRST TIME: Brighton: 1.45 Daha. 2.15 Sympatique. 2.45 La Gavina. 4.15 Blithe Bard.

CRICKET: SRI LANKA FORCED TO FOLLOW ON

Australia pile on the pressure

Kandy (Reuter) – Australia took a firm grip on the only Test of their short tour when they forced Sri Lanka to follow on, 243 behind on the first innings yesterday. Sri Lanka, all out for 271 in reply to Australia's 514 for four declared, were 71 for two in their second innings at the close of the third day with two days remaining.

Mendis, the captain, who hit 74, and Ranatunge, with a sparkling 90, led a Sri Lankan revival. They were 46 for four at one state on Saturday, but after they had reached 220 for five, the last five wickets tumbled for only 51 runs.

Australia took the wicket of Fernando and Dias, the vice-captain, cheaply in the second innings and Sri Lanka, needing a further 172 to avoid an innings defeat, face a difficult task on a pitch taking spin. The Off-spinner Yardley, who took five for 88, turned the ball considerably and Hogan, the left-arm spinner, also gained help from the pitch.

Sri Lanka made a deceptively good start when they resumed at 65 for four yesterday morning as Mendis and Ranatunge, aged 19, continued a fifth-wicket partnership which produced 96 runs in 87 minutes. Mendis struck 12 fours in his innings which lasted 151 minutes and the pair played as though it was a limited over game until the Sri Lankan captain was caught by Hookes at mid-off from an attempted drive against Yardley.

Sri Lanka were then 142 for five and Ranatunge, who hit 16 fours and batted for 168 minutes, further improved the position with De Silva (26) in a sixth-wicket partnership of 78. When the stand was broken, Yardley and the slow left-arm pair, Hogan and Border, swiftly ended the innings just before tea.

Lillee soon broke through when Sri Lanka batted again by having Fernando cought behind for three. Hogan bowled Dias for 10, but the opener, Wettimuny, was unbeaten on 45 at the close.

AUSTRALIA: First Innings

K C Wessels c Dias b de Silva	141
G M Wood c R Ratneyake b Ranatunge	4
G M Yallop lbw b de Mel	98
*G S Chappell lbw b de Mel	65
D W Hookes not out	143
A R Border not out	47
Extras (l-b 11, w 1, nb 3)	15
Total (4 wkts dec)	514

R D Woolley, T G Hogan, B Yardley, D K Lillee and R M Hogg did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–43, 2–213, 3–290, 4–358.

BOWLING: de Mel 23-3-113-2; Ratnayake 28-4-108-0; Ranatunge 19-2-72-1; de Silva 44-7-122-1; Guneratne 17-1-84-0.

SRI LANKA: First Innings

S Wettimuny c Woolley b Lillee	0
S Fernando c Woolley b Hogg	0
R L Dias c Border b Lillee	4
*L R D Mendis c Hookes b Yardley	74
R S Madugalle c and b Yardley	9
A Ranatunge c Lillee b Yardley	90
D S de Silva c Hogan b Yardley	26
A F de Mel C Hookes b Hogan	29
†G de Alwis c Border b Yardley	3
R J Ratnayake c Woolley b Border	14
R Guneratne not out	0
Extras (b 7, l-b 5, w 19, n-b 9)	22
Total	271

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–1, 2–5, 3–9, 4–46, 5–142, 6–220, 7–224, 8–247, 9–270, 10–271

BOWLING: Lillee 19-3-67-2, Hogg 12-4-31-1; Chappell 1-0-2-0; Yardley 25-7-88-5, Hogan 11-1-50-1; Border 4.5-0-11-1.

Second Innings

S Wettimuny not out	45
S Fernando C Wooley B Lillee	3
R L Dias B Hogan	10
R J Ratnayake not out	4
Extras (B 6, L-B 3)	9
Total (2 wkts)	71

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–17, 2–59.

BOWLING (To date): Lillee 6-1-31-1; Hogg 3-2-7-0; Yardley 6-0-16-0; Hogan 4-0-8-1.

Holding application

Michael Holding, the West Indian fast bowler, has signed for Derbyshire this season. The county's application to register him will be considered by the Test and County Cricket Board on Wednesday. Derbyshire can take another overseas player because Peter Kirsten is staying South Africa, while John Wright will be in the World Cup and Test series.

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University Appointments

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE
"NEW BLOOD" LECTURESHIPS

Applications are invited for the following six lectureships funded under the U.G.C. "New Blood" scheme. Applicants should normally be under 35 years of age. The posts are available from 1st October 1983.

Architecture – Energy in buildings (Post Ref. 1)

The appointee will join a small, multi-disciplinary team whose current research interest is in the efficient use of energy in buildings. A background in engineering, mathematics or physics would be desirable, with substantial computing experience, ideally in the field of simulation studies. A knowledge of Building/Architecture would be an advantage, but is not an essential requirement.

Civil Engineering – Hydraulic Engineering (Post Ref. 2)

Preference will be given to Civil Engineering graduates with special interest in hydrology, particularly in groundwater resources development, and/or in turbulence and momentum transfer in open channel flow

Dermatology – Skin Biochemistry (Post Ref. 3)

The field of work will be molecular biochemical mechanisms underlying the action of hormones in the skin and the variation in expression of the effects in different clones of skin cells. The post is suitable for a scientist trained in the techniques of molecular biology and the successful candidate will be expected to set up and run and independent laboratory as well as working in collaboration with skin physiologists in the department.

Geography – Human Geography (Post Ref. 4)

The appointment will be in the Department of Geography but associated with the Centre for Urban and Regional Development Studies, an S.S.R.C. designated Research Centre, which is attached to the Department. The successful candidate will be expected to develop research on the impact of developments in information technology: this should be relevant to the programme of work on urban and regional change being undertaken in the Centre. Candidates should outline previous research experience and suggest possible future work in the specified area.

Geology – Economic Geology (Post Ref. 5)

The appointment will be made in the field of economic geology, with special reference to the relationship between the genesis of sulphide ores and the evolution of carbonaceous matter within the sedimentary record. Experience in ore petrology, geochemistry and sediment diagenesis would be relevant.

Virology – (Post Ref. 6)

The vacancy is for a Ph.D., or equivalent, with experience of the techniques of nucleic acid analysis to complement existing work on the viruses associated with infantile diarrhoea and respiratory syncytial (RS) virus in investigating their structure and strain differences. The work is likely to include the use of monoclonal antibodies and, later, cloning selected pieces of nucleic acid into bacteria.

Salary will be on Lecturers' scale: £6,375 – £13,505 per annum (under review), according to age, qualifications and experience.

Further particulars, *quoting the post reference*, may be obtained from the Deputy Registrar (FP), The University, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 7RU. Applications (3 copies), giving the names and addresses of three referees, should be received not later than 31st May 1983.

BRUNEL UNIVERSITY

"New Blood" and Information Technology Lectureships

Applications are invited for the following Lectureships available from 1 October 1983 under the UGC's New Blood Scheme. The roles of these appointments will be to contribute substantially to research and to do some teaching in the areas indicated.

New Blood Lecturer in Mathematics
(Numerical Analysis)
Applicants for this post in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics should have research interests in the numerical solution of partial differential equations, particularly non-linear equations, and their application in continuum mechanics.

New Blood Lecturer in Non-Metallic Materials
(Plastic composite processing technology)
Applicants for this post in the Department of Non-Metallic Materials should have previous research experience in the microstructure characterisation or the processing of thermoplastic composites.

Information Technology Lecturer in Electrical Engineering and Electronics
(VLSI Design)
Applicants should have experience in the design of digital systems, preferably Computer Aided. A knowledge of expert systems and ideas for applications of such in design would be welcome.

In accordance with UGC guide-lines, the age limit for "new blood" appointments is 35, but in exceptional cases an appointment of a particularly well-qualified candidate over this limit may be made. Salaries will be on the Lecturer scale £6,375 – £13,505 per annum (under revision), but it is not likely that an initial salary of more than £11,105 per annum will be offered (for new blood posts) according to age, qualifications and experience. A London Allowance of £1,158 per annum is also payable. Applicants are required to contribute to the Universities' Superannuation Scheme.

Application form and further details from the Personnel Secretary, Brunel University, Uxbridge, Middlesex, UB8 3PH, or telephone Uxbridge 37188 extension 49.
Closing date: 27 May 1983.

University College of Swansea

Lectureships

Applications are invited for the following three vacancies of Lecturer. Applicants should preferably be not more than 35. The research area for each post is shown in brackets.

LECTURER IN MODERN FRENCH HISTORY (Late eighteenth century to the early twentieth century).
LECTURER IN MATHEMATICS (The Use of Probabilistic Methods).
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The appointments, which will date from October 1, 1983, will be made at the appropriate point within the Lecturer's scale £6,375–£13,505 per annum together with USS/USDPS benefits.

Further particulars and application forms (2 copies) may be obtained from the Personnel Office, University College of Swansea, Singleton Park, Swansea, SA2 8PP, to which office they should be returned by Friday, May 20, 1983.



Southampton The University

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICS

Applications are invited for a one-year post of Temporary Lecturer in the Department of Politics. Candidates should have expertise in the field of Political Philosophy; ability to help with teaching in other areas of political study will be an advantage.

Salary scale £6,375 x £430 (16) to £13,505 per annum (under review). The initial salary will depend on qualifications and experience.

Further particulars may be obtained from D. A. S. Copland, The University, Southampton SO9 5NH to whom applications (7 copies from UK candidates) should be sent not later than 30 May, quoting reference number 180/A/T.

University of Exeter
Department of Politics
Lecturer in Politics

HORIZONS

The Times Guide to career choice

Money for art's sake

"If you are interested in art and you turn out *not* to be a second Hockney, you can always become a designer". That is still the assumption which bedevils most "careers" thinking about *art and design. The two subjects* are remorselessly linked in colleges, in careers directories and in people's minds.

It is not necessarily a false association but it is a narrow one. Careers in "art and design" are broader than *conventional images* may suggest. To make a living in the "art world" can lead to jobs as diverse as high-powered international dealings or therapy with the disabled as well as actually painting or sculpting. And design is just as relevant to industrial *management* and large-scale engineering manufacture as it is to the heady world of, for example, haute couture.

It is in the field of design. that exciting things are now happening for careers. At long last the overall importance of product design is being appreciated in British industry and not a second too early as a succession of enterprises have gone down in the face of better-designed imports from more design-conscious competition.

This seems to be changing. The Prime Minister herself has gone out of *her way to stress the importance of* design. The Department of Industry is running a Design for Profit campaign to open the eyes of management to the benefits which good designers can bring.

In *The Times* recently, there has been a lively correspondence about the subject, involving educationalists from institutions as diverse as Eton, the University of Salford and the London Business School and Imperial College. All agree on the importance of design, whether in engineering and construction or fashion and advertising.

The moral is clear. Young people with an interest in art and design need to sharpen their understanding of what these actually mean. The fine artists and craftsmen should reflect on where their urge for personal creativity *might lead. Those who are attracted* to design, meanwhile, need to realize the vast scope of their vocation, extending as it does across fields as diverse as record sleeves and motor cars, armchairs and washing machines: Most important, perhaps, many who already see themselves as technologists must become aware of their role as designers as well because they cannot be successful in one *function without also being good at* the other.

Obviously, there is little uniformity in discussing prospects for careers in art and design. As the message about the importance of design sinks in, it is hoped that the opportunities for *industrial designers will grow and* flourish. Artists and craftsmen meanwhile are likely to have difficulty in making ends meet unless they supplement their work by teaching and lecturing (and part-time opportunities are now much reduced). *Alternatively they can use their* training to launch into something else.

Edward Fennell on training and opportunity in art and design

The trend nowadays is that design courses are seen to be highly vocational whereas art courses are of *a more general kind with no specific* career outlet. This may not be a bad thing. Art students have a marvellous chance simply to develop their own creativity during, for example, three years of a degree course. As one college of art and design principal said: "No other form of undergraduate study forces you to draw on your own imaginative resouces as much as either art or design – and that is a good preparation for a career."

Unfortunately a "good preparation for a career" by no means guarantees a job. A collapsed textile industry, for example, undermines openings for highly qualified textile and fashion designers just as much as for the manual workers of Yorkshire and Lancashire. On the other hand, British designers are being called on to invigorate the fightback by surviving firms. And artists and designers are much more willing to shout about their achievements.

Nevertheless much needs to be done to improve career prospects for artists and designers alike. As David Sherlock, principal of Winchester School of Art, said: "We have the best system of art and design education in Europe, perhaps in the world, yet that is not evident in our industry and *manufacturing.* Job prospects in Britain are limited and many of our students have to go abroad to Italy, France and the US for work".

Confirmation of this comes from many of the Paris fashion houses which rely on British-trained designers for their success. And of the 10 designers who make up Milan's famous Memphis partnership, two–George Snowden and Gerard Taylor –are British.

Specialization lies at the heart of the system of training. One-year *foundation courses, usually for post* A-level students, give a broad introduction to a number of skills before intense specialization on the subsequent degree. The list of options is long but a few examples demonstrate the range. Manchester Polytechnic has an industrial design course specifically geared to meet the needs of the transport industry. Middlesex Polytechnic allows students to concentrate on graphic information design which prepares students for jobs in television and computer graphics. Manchester Polytechnic's graphics *technology course is orien*tated towards jobs in printing, photography and packaging. Leicester Polytechnic's engineering industrial design course attracts A-level mathematicians and scientists.

The training is therefore highly specific–probably why our students have a flying start when they go abroad to work. It is also encouraging that the colleges are able to respond quickly–courses in computer graphics are the latest example–as new technologies emerge. The only problem is that the college system sometimes has a "hot-house effect" which is remote from the icy winds of the British industrial climate. There is bags of creativity but it may be a bit short on practicability.

The message from most employers is that students must become more aware of the constraints *in* the industrial system within which they will work. There has to be a better bridge between our young artists and designers and their subsequent employers.

University of Exeter

Appointment of Vice Chancellor

The chancellor of the University of Exeter, Sir Rex Richards FRS, wishes it to be known that a Joint Committee of Council and Senate seeks a successor to the Vice-Chancellor, Dr Harry Kay CBE, who will retire on or before 30 September 1984.

Would those interested in the particulars of the appointment or wishing to recommend someone for consideration please write in confidence to **Sir Rex Richards, c/o Academic Registrar and Secretary, University of Exeter, EX4 4QJ, before the end of May.**

UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE DEPARTMENT OF ARCHITECTURE

Applications are invited for two University Assistant Lectureships in the Department of Architecture, University of Cambridge from 1 October 1983, or as soon as possible thereafter. The appointments will be for three years in the first instance, with the possibility of reappointment for two years. The maximum tenure of a University Assistant Lectureship is five years. The pensionable scale of stipends for a University Assistant Lecturer, not ordinarily resident in College, is £6,800 a year rising by four annual increments to £8,510.
The successful candidates must have demonstrated abilities in architectural design, education or research. The duties will consist of the teaching of courses for architecture students and studio instruction, and may entail involvement in research programmes. One of the posts requires the ability to teach the design of structures. Further information and application forms may be obtained from the Secretary of the Appointments Committee of the Faculty of Architecture and History of Art, 1 Scroope Terrace, Cambridge CB2 1PX. Applications should be submitted to him by Monday, 23 May 1983.

UNIVERSITY OF STRATHCLYDE
CHAIR IN BIOLOGY

The University invites applications for the new post of Professor in Biology, with special interests in Cell or Molecular Biology, in the Department of Bioscience and Biotechnology.

Further particulars (ref 26/83) may be obtained from the Registrar, University of Strathclyde, McCance Building, 16 Richmond Street, Glasgow G1 1XQ to whom applications *should be sent by 31st May 1983*

QUEEN MARY COLLEGE
University of London

LECTURESHIPS

Applications are invited from those who will be under 36 on 1 October 1983 for the following posts established under the national scheme to encourage the appointment of young staff:
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MARRIAGES

BARKER : MORTON – on April 23, at St John the Baptist Church, Worcester Park, Surrey, Peter James to Amanda Jane

DEATHS

COULTHARD – On April 21 in hospital in Manchester, Edith Coulthard of Swinton Common, Manchester, aged 77 years, beloved mother of Frank.

HILL. On Friday, April 22, peacefully in his sleep, Christopher Pascoe Hill, CB, CBE, dearly loved husband of Joan Elizabeth & father to Nicolette, Jaconim, Richard & Stephen. Funeral at 12.00 noon on Friday, April 29, at St Mary's, Therfield, Hertfordshire, followed by private cremation. By request no flowers. Donations if desired to Addenbrooke's Scanner Appeal.

HIMBURY – On April 22 peacefully at the Royal Shrewsbury Hospital, Kay, aged 68 years of 6 Kinsley Rd., Knighton, Powys, loving and beloved wife of Basil, mother of Peter, nana of Peter, Charles and Karen and step-mother of Diana. She will be greatly missed. Funeral service at Shrewsbury crematorium on Wednesday April 27 at 10.40 am. No flowers by request, donations to the Cobalt Unit at the Royal Shrewsbury Hospital. Enquiries to W. R. R. Pugh & Son, Shrewsbury. Tel (0743) 4646.

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BBC 1

6.00 Ceefax AM. News, sport, weather and traffic reports. Also available to viewers with sets that do not have the teletext facility.

6.30 Breakfast Time presented by Frank Bough and Selina Scott. News at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00 and 8.30 with headlines on the quarter hours; regional news, weather and traffic at 6.45, 7.15, 7.45, 8.15; keep fit between 6.45 and 7.00; tonight's television previewed between 7.15 and 7.30; a review of the morning papers at 7.32 and 8.32; holiday advice between 7.30 and 7.45; horoscopes between 8.30 and 8.45; cookery hints between 8.45 and 9.00. Closedown at 9.00.

9.38 For Schools, Colleges: Life and Social Skills 10.00 You and Me (not Schools) (r) 10.15 Music Time (ends at 10.35) 11.00 Winter 11.20 Closedown.

12.30 News After Noon with Richard Whitmore and Judith Stamper. Weather details from Jack Scott. 12.57 Regional news (London and SE only: Financial report followed by news headlines with subtitles). 1.00 Pebble Mill at One. Today's guest is Mrs Kenny Everett, Lee, who talks about her new life as a medium and healer. 1.45 Chigley. A See-Saw programme for the very young (r).

2.01 For Schools, Colleges: Words and Pictures. 2.15 Reflections Ireland. An Irishman's view of his own country (r) 2.35 Plants in Action (r) 3.00 Bonanza. The Cartwright family are on the trail of swindlers (r). 3.53 Regional news (not London or Scotland).

3.55 Play School. Shown earlier on BBC 2 4.20 Space Sentinels. Animated science fiction adventures (r). 4.40 The Littlest Hobo. The German shepherd dog in Second Chance. 5.05 John Craven's Newsround. The latest world news for young people. 5.10 Blue Peter with Simon Groom on board the steam train, The President.

5.40 News with Moira Stuart. 6.00 South East at Six.

6.25 Nationwide presented by Sue Lawley and Richard Kershaw. The programme includes Hugh Scully's weekly item Watchdog which investigates accusations of bureaucratic abuse.

6.50 Rolf Harris Cartoon Time on the theme of school. Featuring Tom and Jerry, Screwy Squirrel and some Droopies.

7.20 Matt Houston. The millionaire private detective is called in to help a woman who believes her boxer husband is the intended victim of a murder in a Japanese restaurant. Houston's investigations lead him into the murky world of fight fixing.

8.10 Panorama: America's Secret War. Jeremy Paxton reports from Nicaragua with an assessment of the extent of the CIA's involvement in the country's civil war.

9.00 News with John Humphrys.

9.25 Film: Persecution (1974) starring Lana Turner, Ralph Bates and Trevor Howard. A psychological thriller about a rich American widow, living in England, who insanely goes about trying to destroy the life of her son and his wife. Directed by Don Chaffey.

11.00 Film 83 presented by Barry Norman. There are reviews of Dustin Hoffman's Tootsie and Fanny and Alexander, the film that Ingmar Bergman has said will be his last.

11.28 News headlines.

11.30 Well Woman examines the range of contraception methods available.

11.55 Weather.

TV-am

6.00 Daybreak with Lucy Mathen followed at 6.30 with Good Morning Britain presented by Lynda Berry and Nick Owen. News at 6.00, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; city news at 6.15; morning papers reviewed at 6.33 and 8.33; television reviewed and previewed at 7.50; Katherine Helmond – Jessica in Soap at 8.20; good food guide at 9.05. Closedown at 9.15.

ITV/LONDON

9.30 For Schools: Mountain climbing; 9.47 New technology; 10.04 The atomic bombing of Japan; 10.31 A young girl's relationships at home and school; 10.48 Friendship; 11.08 Counting and time; 11.22 Growing up with a handicap; 11.39 Parenthood.

12.00 Alphabet Zoo. Nerys Hughes and Ralph McTell with O for Otter; 12.10 Let's Pretend to the story of Tom Thumb and the Race; 12.30 A Better Read. Tom Coyne talks to Mike Harding about books.

1.00 News with Leonard Parkin; 1.20 Thames news with Robin Houston; 1.30 Talking Personally. Andrew Gardner talks to Home Office pathologist, Professor Keith Simpson.

2.00 Film: Our Man in Havana* (1959) starring Alec Guiness and Burl Ives. The story of Wormold, a vacuum cleaner salesman based in Havana, who allows himself to be recruited by the British secret service in exchange for money to lavish on his profligate daughter. Directed by Carol Reed.

4.00 Alphabet Zoo. A repeat of the programme show at noon; 4.15 Dangermouse in espisode one of Four Heads are Better than Two; 4.20 Spiderwoman. Animated adventures of the webbed crusader; 4.45 Play: The Exorcism of Amy, by Pauline Milne. Lonely Amy visits Elizabeth and during the night Amelia appears mysteriously. Starring Annabelle Lanyon and Lucy Baker; 5.15 Diff'rent Strokes.

5.45 News; 6.00 Thames news.

6.25 Help! presented by Peter Llewellyn-Jones.

6.35 Crossroads. Barbara Hunter gives Paul Ross an ultimatum

7.00 Village Earth. A documentary about Dutch sculptor Ronald Filarski who is advising the Mafa people of North Cameroon on how best to make the traditional craft items of the country for the tourist trade. Narrated by James Fox.

7.30 Coronation Street. There is trouble in the Street caused by the anti-Disco meeting.

8.00 Brass. Episode ten and Lady Patience gives her husband, Bradley, some hard-hitting news.

8.30 World in Action. The second of the two-part inquiry into the burgeoning business of burglary.

9.00 Quincy: Stain of Guilt. The investigative pathologist, while working as technical adviser on a film about a real-life murder, becomes convinced that the person convicted of the crime is innocent.

10.00 News.

10.30 Hill Street Blues. Captain Furillo clashes with the coroner in the latest drama from the police precinct.

11.30 Film: The Day of the Triffids (1962) starring Howard Keel and Janette Scott. Giant plants begin to take over the Earth following an unexplained downpour of meteorites. Directed by Steve Sekely.

12.55 Close with Barbara Leigh-Hunt reading from the works of Richard Crashaw.



Marian Foster: BBC 1 1.00pm

CHOICE

● Horizon turns its attentions to the origins of a particularly ugly disease that is sweeping through New York's Greenwich Village male population. THE KILLER IN THE VILLAGE (BBC2 9.30pm) is AIDS – Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome. Thousands of men, predominantly homosexual, have contracted the disease and hundreds have already died. The disease, with symptoms including extreme fatigue, persistent fever and dramatic weight loss, is recognizable when unsightly bruise-like blemishes appear on the skin. How did it originate? Horizon has been to the United States and dug as deep as it is able but although scientists have discovered what it is not caused by they are still a long way from discovering what does cause it. The programme includes interviews with sufferers and also victims who later died. Not all are homosexual. Evidence shows that heroin addicts, heterosexual Haitians and haemophiliacs are as likely to contract the disease. But why – and how long will it be before it reaches our shores in force? Horizon, being realistic, offers no crumbs of comfort.

● The final part of World in Action's investigation into burglary concerns THE FIGHT BACK (ITV 8.30pm). Tonight's programme examines the radical changes in policing that have been suggested to counter the huge growth in the crime. Sheffield has a pilot scheme in which convicted burglars are brought face to face with their victims and there is interest in the United States's Blockwatch in which police train local residents to patrol their own neighbourhood. This has been particularly successful in part of New York. But would it work over here? A senior policeman believes it must because without the public's help the police are powerless to halt the growth of crime.

● It is Welsh week on Radio 4 and among today's offerings from the Principality is the start of a daily history-on-horseback series with Wynford Vaughan-Thomas riding THE WAY THE NORMANS RODE (4.40pm). His trek begins at the castle ruins of Crickhowell and from there he visits the famous, the infamous and the not-so-well-known castles of south Wales to the imposing Pembroke Castle. As he rides, Wynford Vaughan-Thomas recalls some of the historic events associated with the castles, describes places of interest he comes across and reports on the characters he meets daily.

BBC 2

6.05 Open University: Urban/Rural Relationships. 6.55 Calculus: Iteration and Convergence. 7.20 Combined Heat and Power. 7.45 Gibbon: The Ruins of Rome. 8.10 Closedown.

11.00 Play School. For the under fives, presented by Rosalind Wilson and Don Spencer. The story is Cat and the New House, by Marian Green.

11.25 World Snooker. Live coverage of the morning and afternoon sessions in the Embassy World Professional Championship, introduced by David Vine from the Crucible Theatre, Sheffield. Today sees the closing matches in the second round and the beginning of the quarterfinals. At approximately 3.00 David Vine introduces Shot of the Championship. There is further coverage of this tournament on this channel at 6.00, 10.25 and 11.50.

5.10 The Black English Case. An Open University production that examines the implications of the ruling by Judge Joiner of Detroit that the English spoken by black pupils can prove to be an education handicap which is not properly recognised by teachers.

5.40 Collecting Now: Care and Repair. In the second of his programmes John Fitzmaurice Mills examines Glass (r).

6.00 World Snooker. David Vine with the latest news from Sheffield.

7.05 News.

7.10 I Can Jump Puddles. The first of a nine-part drama based on the autobiographical novels of Alan Marshall. Alan lives on a small farm in south eastern Australia and at the age of 11 contracts polio and begins the life of a cripple.

8.00 Call My Bluff. Poker face Frank Muir is supported by Angharad Rees and Godfrey Smith while cherubic Arthur Marshall leads Victoria Wood and Tim Brooke-Taylor. Presenting the words is Robert Robinson.

8.30 The Mathis Magic. The second of three silver anniversary programmes featuring American singer Johnny Mathis, recorded on his last tour of Britain (r).

9.30 Horizon: Killer in the Village. A medical detective story that traces the rise of the mainly sexually transmitted disease AIDS – Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome.

10.25 World Snooker. David Vine with highlights of today's matches in the Embassy World Professional Championship.

11.00 Newsnight. The latest world and domestic news plus an extended look at one of the day's major stories.

11.50 World Snooker. The final visit of the day to Sheffield.

12.15 Open University: Cyanide, Crystal and Co-ordination. 12.40 A Residential Placement. Ends at 1.10.

CHANNEL 4

5.00 As Good As New. Mike Smith continues his furniture restoration series with today's programme devoted to bamboo. He shows how to repair broken bamboo and replace rattan on a lacquered table top.

5.30 Loose Talk presented live from the Albany, Deptford, by Steve Taylor. His guests are singer Paul Haig and Roy Hutchinson who will become a three dimensional cartoon. The guest presenter is Tenpole Tudor, who believes he is the rightful ruler of England. He will be talking to the Celtic Football Club goal scoring machine, Charlie Nicholas; Arabella Pollen, a young dress designer who counts the Princess of Wales among her customers; and Lynval Golding a singer with the Fun Boy Three group.

6.30 Be Your Own Boss. Henry Cooper today considers the amount of time and energy it takes to become self-employed. Also appearing on the programme is John MacGregor, Under-Secretary of State for Industry who explains what government help is available for small firms and the programme includes the success story of one of these firms.

7.00 Channel Four News with headlines at 7.30 and City news at 7.40. There is also the weekly item, Foreign Perspective, which examines how foreign television networks report the world's news.

7.50 Comment. On the soap box tonight is Paul Wilkinson, Professor of International Relations at Aberdeen University.

8.00 Henry Cooper's Golden Belt. The third quarter-final of the boys' boxing tournament. Henry Cooper is at Ardwick Lads' Club for the Manchester versus Glasgow bouts. He talks to the combatants in the dressing room and to their parents at the ringside. The commentator is Dave Brenner.

9.00 Vietnam. Part three begins in the year 1954 when Ngo Dinh Diem takes over in South Vietnam. Nine years later he is struggling with the communist guerrilla movement and the American Government contrive his downfall, thus beginning their involvement in the country in earnest.

10.00 St Elsewhere. Episode two of the black comedy series set in a Boston hospital. Tonight the overstretched staff have to deal with a wounded terrorist and one of his victims; a tricky heart operation; and there is the seeds of an unusual love affair between a doctor and a lady pathologist.

11.00 The Eleventh Hour: Margaret Tait – Film Maker. A profile of the film maker who, since the mid-1950s, has been making small, low budget film poems.

12.15 Closedown.

Radio 4

6.00 News briefing.
6.10 Farming Week. 6.25 Prayer for the Day. 6.55, 7.55 Weather. 7.00, 8.00 Today's News. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.30, 8.30 News Headlines. 7.45 Thought for the Day.
8.35 The Week On 4.
8.43 John Ebdon in the BBC Sound Archives. 8.57 Weather: Travel.
9.00 News.
9.05 Start the Week with Richard Baker†
10.00 News.
10.02 Money Box.
10.30 Morning Story "The Last Show" by Graham Edward's".
10.45 Daily Service†
11.00 News.
11.03 Down Your Way visits Rhyader, Powys.
11.48 Poetry Please!
12.00 News.
12.02 You and Yours.
12.27 Just a Minute† 12.55 Weather; Travel; Programme News.
1.00 The World At One: News.
1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping Forecast.
2.00 News.
2.02 Woman's Hour.
3.00 News.
3.02 Afternoon Theatre† "The Light of Heart" by Emlyn Williams.
4.17 Fool's Gold.
4.40 The Way the Normans Rode (new series) Wynford Vaughan-Thomas follows one of the routes by which the Normans penetrated and held South Wales (1): Crickhowell to Brecon.
5.00 News Magazine. 5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather; Programme News.
6.00 The Six O'clock News; Financial Report.
6.30 I'm Sorry, I Haven't A Clue†
7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Start the week with Richard Baker†
8.00 The Monday Play "The Fine Tuning of Ivor Gurney" by Tim Rose Price.
9.15 A Letter From A Late Landscapist by Michael Viney.
9.30 Kaleidoscope. Arts Magazine. 9.59 Weather.
10.00 The World Tonight: News.
10.30 Science Now.
11.00 A Book at Bedtime "The Road to Oxiana" by Robert Byron (6).
11.15 The Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Today in Parliament.
12.00 News; Weather.
12.15 Shipping Forecast; Inshore Forecast.

ENGLAND: VHF with above except: 6.25-6.30am Weather; Travel. 10.00-10.45 For Schools: 11.00 Let's Move! 11.20 Voix de France. 11.40 Movement and Drama 2. 1.55pm Listening Corner. 2.00-3.00 For Schools: 2.00 Introducing Geography. 2.20 Lifetime. 2.40 Dance Workshop. 5.50-5.55 PM (continued). 11.00 Study On 4: Action Makes the Heart Grow Stronger. 11.30-12.10am Open University: 11.30 Dickens and Balzac. 11.50 Piget and After.

Radio 3

6.55 Weather.
7.00 News.
7.05 Morning Concert† Tallis, Vaughan Williams, Prokofiev, Haydn; records. 8.00 News. 8.05 Morning Concert (continued) Borodin, Balakirev, Rachmaninov, Glazunov, Stravinsky; records.
9.00 News.
9.05 This Week's Composers† Falla and his Contemporaries: Turina, Mompou orch. Ros-Marba, Rodrigo, Falla; records.
10.00 Allan Schiller† Piano recital: Schubert, Mozart.
10.35 Glazunov† Records including Violin Concerto with Heifetz.
11.15 Lieder in English† Schubert, Loewe.
11.50 Northern Sinfonia of England† Haydn, Bloch, Berwald.
1.00 News.
1.05 BBC Lunchtime Concert† Violin and Piano recital: Schubert, Bartok.
2.05 Matinee Musicale† Mendelssohn, Tchaikovsky, Elgar, Karl-Heinz Koper, Coleridge-Taylor, Lennox Berkeley.
3.05 New Records† Sibelius, Chopin, Stenhammar.
4.55 News.
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure†
6.30 Music for Organ† the Tamburini organ at All Saints, Bromsgrove – works by Bach, Joseph Mack arr. Walther, Sweelinck, Gibbons.
7.05 Cello Music at Harewood House† Shostakovich, Britten.
7.50 Spanish Poetry Today. A personal anthology by Vicente Molina-Foix, translated by Colin Wight and Michael Schmidt.
8.30 An Evening with Dr Haydn† Concert by the Academy of Ancient Music incl. 9.10-9.15 Interval Reading.
9.50 Joan Cererols† Missa pro defunctis.
10.45 Jazz in Britain† Nigel Morris Quartet.
11.15- News.

VHF ONLY – OPEN UNIVERSITY: 6.15am "Sweeney Agonistes". 6.35-6.55 Villa Madama. 11.20pm Music as a Language. 11.40-12.0 Learning from Europe.

Radio 2

5.00 Ray Moore†. 7.30 Terry Wogan†. 10.00 Alan Whicker†. 12.00 Music While You Work†. 12.30 Gloria Hunniford† including 2.02 Sports Desk. 2.30 Ed Stewart† including 3.02 Sports Desk. 4.00 David Hamilton† including 4.2, 5.30 Sports Desk. 6.00 John Dunn† including 6.45 Sport and Classified Results (mf only). 7.30 Alan Dell† with Dance Band Days and Big Band Era. 8.45 Humphrey Lyttelton† with The Best of Jazz. 9.30 Star Sound†. 10.00 The Monday Movie Quiz. 1.00 David Hamilton with Two's Best†. 2.0-5.0 Patrick Lunt† presents You and the Night and the Music.

Radio 1

6.00 Adrian John with The Early Show. 7.00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.30 Mike Smith including 12.30 Newsbeat. 2.00 Steve Wright. 4.30 Peter Powell including 5.30 Newsbeat. 7.00 Platform 9. 8.00 David Jensen. 10.00 John Peel †. 12.00 Close. VHF Radio 1 and 2: 5.00am With Radio 2. 10.00pm With Radio 1. 12.00-5.00am With Radio 2.

WORLD SERVICE

6.00am Newsdesk. 6.30 Baker's Half Dozen. 7.00 World News. 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary. 7.30 Pleasures. 7.50 Recording of the Week. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Reflections. 8.15 Peebles' Choice. 8.30 Anything Goes. 9.00 World News. 9.09 Review of the British Press. 9.15 Waveguide. 9.25 Good Books. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 Music Now. 10.15 The Brotherhood of Brass. 11.00 World News. 11.09 News About Britain. 11.15 The Classic Albums. 11.30 Pleasures. 11.50 Recording of the Week. 12.00 Radio Newsreel. 12.15 Brain of Britain 1983. 12.45 Sports Roundup. 1.00 World News. 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary. 1.30 Country Style. 1.45 Thirty Minute Theatre. 2.15 Rivers of the World. 2.30 John Peel. 3.00 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 Outlook. 4.00 World News. 4.09 Commentary. 4.15 The Instruments of Jazz. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary. 8.30 Sports International. 9.00 Network UK. 9.15 What's New. 9.30 Origins. 10.00 World News. 10.09 The World Today. 10.25 Book Choice. 10.30 Financial News. 10.40 Reflections. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11.00 World News. 11.09 Commentary. 11.15 Classical Record Review. 11.30 Brain of Britain 1983. 12.00 World News. 12.09 News About Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 Thirty-Minute Theatre. 1.00 Waveguide. 1.10 Paperback Choice. 1.15 Outlook: News Summary. 1.45 Parade. 2.00 World News. 2.09 Review of the British Press. 2.15 Network UK. 2.30 Sports International. 3.00 World News. 3.09 News About Britain. 3.15 The World Today. 3.30 John Peel. 4.45 Financial News. 4.55 Reflections. 5.00 World News. 5.09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary. 5.45 The World Today.

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REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

BBC 1

Wales 10.38am-11.00 I Ysgolion: I Ganrif Hon. 12.57am-1.00 News of Wales headlines. 3.53-3.55 News of Wales headlines. 6.00-6.25 Wales Today. 6.50-7.20 Make It Work ... or Beating the recession blues. 11.55 News and weather. Scotland 12.56pm-1.00 The Scottish News. 6.00pm-6.25 Reporting Scotland. 6.50-7.20 Street Buzz. 11.55 News and weather. Northern Ireland 12.57pm-1.00 Northern Ireland News. 3.53-3.55 Northern Ireland News. 6.00-6.25 Scene around Six. 6.50-7.20 Wise Crack. 11.57 Orchestra. 12.07 News and weather. England 6.00pm-6.25 Regional news magazines. 6.50-7.20 East – Let justice be done ... Midlands – Day Out to Stamford. North ... North West – The Brass Beat South – King's Country. South West – Country Scene. West – RPM. 12.00 close.

S4C

Starts 2.20pm Cel Cocos. 2.30 Interval. 3.245 Bod and Lina. 3.30 Outsiders. 3.55 Badminton. 4.45 Clwb S4C. 4.55 Pili-Pala. 5.00 Rhwcedabaw. 5.30 Chips Comic. 6.00 Square Pegs. 6.25 Get Smart. 6.55 Gair yn-ei bryd. 7.00 Newyddion saith. 7.30 Sêr. 8.00 Pawb yn ei fro. 8.30 Y byd as bedwar. 9.00 Snwcer. 9.30 Bouquet of Barbed Wire. 10.25 Film: Alias Nick Beal (Ray Milland). Reworking of the Faust legend. 12.00 Gair yn ei bryd. 12.05am Closedown.

CHANNEL

As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 News. 1.30 The Best of Weir. 2.00-4.00 Film: Guns of Darkness. As TSW. 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm. 6.00 Channel Report. 6.30-7.00 Rising Damp. 9.00-10.00 Minder. 10.35 Aujourd'hui en France. 10.40 Film: Devil's Web. As TSW. 12.05am Closedown.

BORDER

As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Weir's Way. 2.00-4.00 Film: Scared Stiff (Dean Martin). Entertainers arrive at a strange castle in Cuba. 5.15-5.45 Gambit. 6.00 Lookaround. 6.30-7.00 Look Who's Talking. 10.30 Streets of San Francisco. 11.30 Making a Living. 12.00 News. 12.03am Closedown.

SCOTTISH

As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Clegg's People. 2.00-4.00 Film: Judd for the Defence – American court drama. 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm. 6.00 Scotland Today. 6.40-7.00 Crime Desk. 10.30 Encore. 11.15 Late Call. 11.20 Star Parade. 12.20am Closedown.

TVS

As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Bygones. 2.00-4.00 Film: She (Ursula Andress) H Rider Haggard's story of a mysterious African queen. 5.15-5.45 Happy Days. 6.00 Coast to Coast. 6.30 Benson. 7.00-7.30 Spice of Life. 10.30 Full Life: Count Nikolai Tolstoy. 11.00 Gangster Chronicles. 12.00 Company, closedown.

HTV WEST

As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Film: Black Swan (Tyrone Power) Former pirate tries to clean up the Caribbean. 3.05-4.00 Bracken. 5.15-5.45 Young Doctors. 6.00-7.00 News. 9.00-10.00 Lou Grant. 10.30 Film: England Made Me (Peter Finch). Loosely based on Graham Greene's between-the-wars story. 12.20am Closedown.

HTV WALES

As HTV West except: 6.00pm-7.00 Wales at Six: With Michael Lloyd-Williams and Alan Rusted.

TSW

As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Best of Weir. 2.00-4.00 Film: Guns of Darkness (Leslie Caron). Pacifist attempts to help a country's ex-president to escape. 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm. 6.00 Today South West. 6.30-7.00 Rising Damp. 9.00-10.00 Minder. 10.35 Postscript. 10.40 Film: Devil's Web. Nurse ensnares her charge. 12.05am Private View. 12.25 Closedown.

TYNE TEES

As London except: 9.25am News. 1.20pm News and Lookaround. 1.30 Superstar Profile: Margot Kidder. 2.00-4.00 Film: Busman's Honeymoon* (Robert Montgomery) 1940 Lord Peter Wimsey thriller. 5.15-5.45 Happy Days. 6.02 Rising Damp. 6.30-7.00 Northern Life. 10.32 Briefing. 11.25 Lou Grant. 12.20am God in Good Season. 12.25 Closedown.

CENTRAL

As London except: 1.20 News. 1.30 Film: The Hireling (Robert Shaw, Sarah Miles). L. P. Hartley's tale of a young widow and her chauffeur. 5.15-5.45 Private Benjamin. 6.00-7.00 News. 10.30 Venture. 11.00 News. 11.05 Come Close. 11.20 Trapper John MD. 12.20am Closedown.

ULSTER

As London except: 1.20pm Lunchtime. 1.30 Bracken. 1.30-4.00 Film: Tamahine: (Nancy Qwan) Polynesian beauty arrives at an English Boys' School. 5.15-5.45 Gambit. 6.00 Good Evening Ulster. 6.30-7.00 Lifestyle. 10.30 Living Proof. 11.00 Hill Street Blues. 11.55 News, Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Best of Weir. 2.00 Showcase. 2.15-4.00 Film: Condominium: When the Hurricane Struck. Part two of the thriller. 5.15-5.45 Gambit. 6.00 Calendar. 6.30-7.00 It's a Vet's Life. 10.30 Calendar Commentary. 11.00 America Screams: The roller coaster. 12.00 Closedown.

ANGLIA

As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Best of Weir. 2.00-4.00 Film: Captains Courageous. Kipling's story of the poor little rich boy. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.30-7.00 Benson. 9.00-10.00 Streets of San Francisco. 10.30 Anglia Reports. 11.00 Hill Street Blues. 12.00 Living and Growing. 12.30am Prayer for Life, Closedown.

GRANADA

As London except: 1.20pm Granada Reports. 1.30 Bracken. 2.30-4.00 Film: Carry on Henry (Sidney James). Comedy. 5.15-5.45 Gambit. 6.00 Diff'rent Strokes. 6.30-7.00 Granada Reports. 9.00-10.00 Minder. 10.30 Granada 100. 11.15 Film: Appointment with a Killer. 12.45am Closedown.

GRAMPIAN

As London except: Starts 9.25am-9.30 First Thing. 1.20pm News. 1.30 Paint along with Nancy. 2.00-4.00 Film: Pumpkin Eater (Anne Bancroft) Wife is tortured by husband's unfaithfulnest. 5.15-5.45 Gambit. 6.00 North Tonight. 6.30-7.00 Country Focus. 10.30 Hill Street Blues. 11.30 Star Parad. 12.30am News. 12.35 Closedown.

WHAT THE SYMBOLS MEAN. † Stereo. ★Black and white. (r) Repeat.

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Steam from the Sellafield cooling towers billowing out over the small coastal town of Seascale near by (Photographs: Brian Harris).

Thirty years on nuclear health fears persist in Cumbria

Against the background of the Sizewell inquiry, ***Ronald Faux****, our Northern Correspondent, visited west Cumbria where nuclear industry has been a fact of life for more than 30 years. He finds that the Sellafield complex of British Nuclear Fuels still generates strong feelings for and against the industry. Nuclear energy is seen to be an essential and acceptably safe source of power by many of the 10,000 people who work there.*

Those who do not may regard Sellafield with healthy scepticism but accept that, without it, west Cumbria would become an industrial desert.

The Paul Pedersens, father and son, step on to the beach at Ravenglass from their small fishing boat, the Seaspray, carrying boxes of lobsters and flat fish across the sands from which the tide is draining rapidly. They have been checking their creels off the Cumbrian coast since 4 am.

"If what them barmy beggars say is right then I should be glowing like a light bulb", Mr Pedersen junior says. His father adds: "They say the Irish Sea is dangerously contaminated, but there is nothing wrong with him." As he speaks he brandishes a fat and powerfully clawed lobster at me.

He began fishing among the wrecks and shoals off Sellafield more than 20 years ago. His last full body scan at the nuclear plant showed radiation levels that offered the same risk as smoking two cigarettes a year or driving a car 18 miles a week.

The calculations were made by scientists of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and Mr Pedersen accepted them as a full answer to the risks of fishing in the Irish Sea.

"The only bad effect we notice", he says, "is that every time there is a scare story about poisoned water the value of our catch goes down by two thirds. Then people forget and things return to normal."

Beyond the beach, which in summer is the Pedersens' market place, on the landward horizon the cooling towers of Sellafield send out plumes of steam.

The tall, square-top towers mark the nuclear piles that produce the fissile material for British nuclear bombs. It is that ominous side of nuclear energy, emphasized by the famous Windscale leak, armed guards, secrecy, and uncertainty among the supposed experts that created the doubts against which British Nuclear Fuels is campaigning vigorously.

The doubts are found among medical practitioners. One doctor quoted from a standard reference work: "There is great difficulty in deciding whether there are levels of radiation dose below which no harmful effect results. The difficulty is particularly great as regards delayed sometic (bodily) effects and genetic effects in man."

It is in such soil that fears of genetic "time bombs" may be sown. Stories abound of five-headed cod and luminous fish being found in the sea off Windscale, but there is no hard evidence to back them.

Dr Peter Tiplady, a specialist in community medicine, reported that in east Cumbria the incidence of leukaemia did not differ significantly from national rates and the incidence of all cancers combined in males was significantly lower than expected.

A huge public relations exercise has been launched to improve the public image of nuclear power and its peaceful benefits.

The decision to allow the building of Thorpe (the Thermal Oxide Reprocessing Plant) has been accompanied by much investment at Sellafield, turning it into probably the biggest building site in Europe. Up to £50m a year enters the local economy in wages.

But the doubts remain even though many of the doubters have become resigned to living so close to Sellafield – a name that covers British Nuclear Fuels's Windscale and Calder works and not chosen, the company insists, to remove the memories of Windscale leaks and contamination.

"Nuclear power has a lot to live down", one Whitehaven sceptic said. "It produced the most violent and destructive single explosion ever, its secondary evils are invisible and insidious, and, while it is impossible for the man in the street to comprehend in any detail, he gets the firm impression that the people who are



Miss Emery: "The danger remains".

supposed to understand are not always agreed."

Mr Bill Badger, of the Friends of the Earth in west Cumbria, said that several years after the inquiry the oxide reprocessing plant had still not been built. He doubted whether it would be.

"Waste from the Magnox stations has to be reprocessed and we recognize that Windscale is the one place where that can be done safely," he said.

"People assume we want to close the plant, but that is not true. It is impossible to shut down something on which probably 100,000 people rely. Our attitude is one of scepticism towards any further development."

From the Greenpeace headquarters at Barrow-in-Furness, Miss Jean Emery organizes the most militant local action against the import of nuclear waste through the town's dock.

Her group insists that the sea off Sellafield has become dangerously contaminated and that analysis of cancer cases in the county in relation to the distance from windscale shows a damning pattern.

"If there is not danger", she said, "why did British Nuclear Fuels pay compensation to the families of those who died fron leukemia after the Windscale disaster? The danger remains.

"Why do Japanese standards insist that no more than 0.6 of a curie of radiation emission a year is allowable from their reprocessing plant, yet Winscale sends 1,000 curies of alpha emiters a year into the Irish Sea?

British Nuclear Fuels's response was: "There is no decrepancey. One million times nothing will always be nothing. Compared with any other industry, nuclear power has an enviable and excellent safety record."

Letter from Dallas

Image-conscious city where money talks

History has bestowed two unforgettable memories on Dallas – the assassination of President Kennedy, and J. R. Ewing. Both in their different ways have deeply affected the place and given the city an obsession about its image. Right now, there are a lot of people who wish J.R. would get out of town.

A simple white memorial to President Kennedy stands in the city centre and a lot of Dallasites still resent being constantly reminded of such a shameful day. President Kennedy, after all, had no real connexion with Dallas.

Lee Harvey Oswald supposedly did the deed from a small, cluttered room on the fourth floor of the book depository building, a red official-looking structure with lots of dark corridors and gloomy little rooms. There is now talk of turning the room into a Kennedy museum, but not everbody agrees. It might create a negative image.

And not everybody agrees that J. R. Ewing and his evil entourage have been good for Dallas. Some people complain that the image of the city across the world is of a heartless, oil-obsessed town with but one god – money.

In part, the image is accurate. The city is booming, there is a frenetic pace of construction and a palpable sense of excitement. [illegible] it on the long drive in from the airport – nothing but offices going up, highways under construction, factories being built. There is electricity in the air – the same feeling of extreme optimism that New York evokes. The difference is that New York does it with culture, Dallas does it with *money*.

Dallas is determined to be an international city. It brags that its airport is the biggest in the world, bigger than the entire island of Manhattan. The other weekend the mayor threw another of his lavish dinners for a group of ambassadors invited down from Washington for several days of pampered luxury, an exercise that is all part of the international image-building.

Of course, their excellencies wanted to see South Fork Ranch, known in real life as the Box Ranch, first home of the Ewings until the real owner got fed up and told everybody to pack up and go. The ranch you see on television now is several miles away from the 1,600 rich acres of the Box Ranch, itself about 20 miles out of town.

The nine ambassadors looked a little ridiculous in their blue jeans and Texan hats, all standing in a neat line beneath the first, fierce sun of the season while civic dignitaries clambered around with great armfuls of cameras and made nice speeches. After the photographs they all gratefully repaired to the swimming pool area to sample huge quantities of barbecued steaks and ice-cold beers, while a band played softly in the background.

The city is frantically creating a cultural personality. A whole new arts district is under construction where quaint little restaurants and antique stores will mingle around the magnificent newly remodelled theatre, a huge new museum and the new symphony hall. Dallas decided it wanted some culture so it did the natural, obvious thing – it went out and bought some.

Once a year the city hosts probably the biggest state fair in the land, where they do all manner of crazy things while devouring mountains of traditional delicacies, such as Cokes, "corn dogs", candy floss and pizza slices.

Of course, the civic leaders like you to know their history, to know how the Alamo was fearsomely avenged in the place where the San Jacinto river meets the Buffalo bayou.

There is an aesthetic awareness amid all the panic of building, an awareness kindled in the comfortable embrace of wealth. Sir Henry Moore created the masterpieces of sculpture outside the city hall, itself a building of imposing beauty surrounded by a skyline that is beginning to look a little like New York and Chicago.

And so it continues, stories of money and the images it can buy. One wonders what the blacks and the other poor folks make of it all from their secluded little homeland to the south of the city, just the other side of the tiny Trinity river, where the images are so dreadfully real and not the least bit elusive.

Christopher Thomas

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

New exhibitions

Teamworks: work by the Dundee group of artists and the Dundee Printmakers Workshop, Meadowplace Gallery, 10 Victoria Chambers, Dundee; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 6, closed Tues; (until May 29).

Recent paintings, collages and figures by Sian Richards, Chapter Gallery, Concourse Gallery, Market Road, Canton, Cardiff; Mon to Fri 12 to 10, Sat 12 to 4 and 6 to 9, closed Sun; (until May 21).

The First Effort of an Infant Hand: samplers from the museum's collections, City Museum and Art Gallery, Queen's Road, Bristol; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, closed Sun; (until June 25).

The Great British Teapot (until May 15) and A Lincolnshire Artist: Work by Peter Hancocks (until May 22); both at Usher Gallery, Lindom Road, Lincoln; Mon to Sat 10 to 5.30, Sun 2.30 to 5.

Private Views: portraits and self-portraits, University of East Anglia Library, Norwich; Mon to Thurs 9am to 10pm, Fri 9 to 8, Sat 9 to 5, Sun 2 to 7; (from today until May 27).

Recent works of Roy Abell, RBSA Galleries, 69a New Street, Birmingham; Mon to Sat 11.30 to 6, closed Sun (until May 14).

Etchings by Stephen Whittle, and a selection of original prints from the Royal Academy Graphics, Timaeus, 2a Salisbury Road, Moseley, Birmingham; Mon to Fri 10 to 4, Wed 10 to 7.30, closed Sat & Sun (until June 3).

The Still Picture Show: Photographs by Stuart Roy, Dudley Museum and Art Gallery, 3 St James' Road, Dudley; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, closed Sun (until May 21).

Indian Drawings, selected by Howard Hodgkin, Central Art Gallery, Lichfield Street, Wolverhampton; Mon to Sat 10 to 6, closed Sun (until May 21).

Carpets and hangings by Mike and Claire Booth, Rozelle House, Rozelle Park, Ayr; Mon to Sat 11 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (until May 12).

Man and Nature; Wildlife painting's by Robert Davison, Bakehouse Gallery, Bennett Park, Blackheath, SE3; daily 10 to 6; (from today until May 7).

Craftsmen of Distinction: Work by Eleanor Bartleman, Susan Hensel, Michael Hebden, Peter Layton and Sally Lomas, Charles de Temple Gallery, 52 Jermyn Street, SW1; Mon to Fri 11 to 5, Sat 11 to 1, closed Sun; (from today until May 31).

Talks, lectures

Art and Architecture in Ancient Macedonia, by Professor Manolis Andronikos, Natural Philosophy Lecture Theatre, St Machar Drive, Aberdeen, University 5.15.

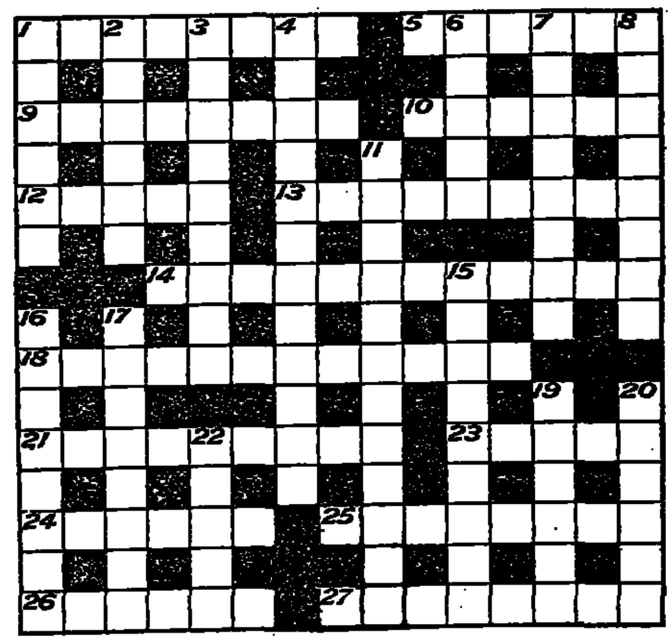
Woven Gardens: Rugs of the Middle East, by J. Calder, Royal Scottish Museum, Chambers Street, Edinburgh, 2.

Music

Harry Secombe and the Treorchy Male Voice Choir, St David's Hall, Cardiff, 7.30.

Organ recital by Jonathan Leonard, Newcastle Cathedral, Newcastle upon Tyne, 1.

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,112



ACROSS

1 Most populated part of eg London? (8).
5 Tail had got stuck in plant (6).
9 Married one settled in easily managed home (8).
10 What is spiritual in the old guard (6).
12 Lochinvar's fair one (5).
13 Take a risk, giving direction to *embezzle* (9).
14 Not the original birth (12).
18 Last opportunity to end the Great War (8, 4).
21 Excellent puzzle in place above (9).
23 Subject of the note (5).
24 Wandered with me in the way (6).
25 What the losing boxer gets is embarrassing (8).
26 Cooked and drunk (6).
27 Toboggan about to twist? It's done (8).

DOWN

1 Sir Philip going to Sussex college? (6).
2 Born, like Uriah Heep, to be a Dickens character (6).
3 What three witches planned to do, in a word, to meet Macbeth (9).
4 Drawing an example (12).
6 Indian farm-hand with Burmese title (5).
7 Doctor on violin many find striking (8).
8 Birds in curiously done wigs (8).
11 To salute in British style one must have lots to drink (4, 3, 5).
15 Lady of easy virtue, or Canute's undoing (9).
16 Same user, different sizes (8).
17 Chess player's wife also his second? (8).
19 Describes so minor an evil perhaps (6).
20 How one illogically solved the question of penury? (6).
22 Bird seen about late in the day (5).

The Solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No. 16,111 will appear next Saturday

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Nature notes

Nesting is under way. Blackbirds and song-thrushes are on eggs in their deep nests, with just their beak and tail showing above the rim. They sit tight, but fly off with a skittering cry if an intruder comes too close. Wrens are building: the cock wren makes several domed nests of grass and leaves, and the hen chooses one of them and lines it with soft feathers. She usually lays six minute, red-spotted eggs. New arrivals from the South include house-martins, wheeling and braking above the house-tops with a flash of their white rumps, and grasshopper warblers, which have become much more common in neglected, bushy patches of countryside in the last few years. On the moors, blackcock gather for their annual "lek", a communal ritual of fighting and mating: the males spread their tails in a broad fan, and jump up and down in front of their rivals.

Trees are still coming into leaf rather slowly. Horse-chestnuts are the most striking, with their brilliant green leaves, and their flower-spikes already forming. Oak and beech are sprouting cautiously; but under the oaks, bluebells are coming into their full glory, the colour of summer skies.

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Anniversaries

Births: Oliver Cromwell, Huntingdon, 1599; John Keble, Fairford, Gloucestershire, 1792; Walter de la Mare, Charlton, Kent, 1873; Guglielmo Marconi, Bologna, 1874; Wolfgang Pauli, physicist, Nobel laureate 1945, Vienna, 1900: William Cowper died at East Dereham, Norfolk, 1800. Today is Anzac Day; on this day the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps landed at Gallipoli, 1915.

The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	1.85	1.77
Austria Sch	28.10	26.30
Belgium Fr	78.75	74.75
Canada $	1.97	1.89
Denmark Kr	14.05	13.35
Finland Mkk	8.83	8.33
France Fr	11.79	11.24
Germany DM	3.940	3.740
Greece Dr	135.00	125.00
Hongkong $	10.90	10.35
Ireland Pt	1.250	1.19
Italy Lira	2320.00	2220.00
Japan Yen	383.00	363.00
Netherlands Gld	4.43	4.22
Norway Kr	11.52	10.92
Portugal Esc	169.00	149.00
South Africa Rd	2.04	1.87
Spain Pta	213.50	202.50
Sweden Kr	12.05	11.45
Switzerland Fr	3.32	3.14
USA $	1.60	1.54
Yugoslavia Dnr	1.25	1.18

Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied by Barclays Bank International Ltd. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

Retail Price Index: 327.9.
London: The *FT* Index closed down 4.0 on Friday at 688.0.

New York: The Dow Jones industrial average closed up 8.03 on Friday at 1196.30.

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Progress in committee on the Finance Bill.
Lords (2.30): Miscellaneous Financial Provisions Bill, second reading. Debate on the water industry.

US summer time

The United States yesterday changed to Daylight Saving Time; this means the time difference between London and New York or Washington is now five and not six hours.

River boats

The London Tourist Board has produced a leaflet, *It's a Pleasure! Boating on the Thames*, giving information on services and cruises from Westminster, Richmond and Tower piers.

Available from Tourist Information Centres, or by phoning a special river boat information number: 01-730-4812

Roads

London and South-east: M1: Eastbound diversion overnight between junctions 10 and 10A (Luton). M3: Lane closures between junctions 3 (Lightwater) and 4 (Frimley), Surrey. A10: Temporary signals at Thundridge, Herts. A322: Only one lane southbound at junction with New Road, Bagshot.

Midlands and East Anglia: M1: Lane closures at junction 16 (Northampton); slip-roads closed except exit. A10: Temporary signals at Southery, between Downham Market and Ely, Norfolk. A47: Temporary signals at Wisbech, Cambridgeshire.

North: A19: Lane closures from Low Hills bridge to Jackson Mill, Co Durham; slip-road closures and diversions. A50: Manual traffic controls at Lawton crossroads, NW of Kidsgrove, Cheshire.

Wales and West: A38: Lane closures on Exeter to Plymouth, at Marsh Mills viaduct. A38: Lane closures on Liskeard by-pass. M5: Lane closures between junctions 23 and 24, near Bridgewater, Somerset.

Scotland: M8: Roadworks at junction 13 (Provan). A82: Single lane traffic with temporary lights E of Ballachulish bridge, Argyllshire; diversions.

The papers

"The secret diaries of Hitler's secret lover, Eva Braun, have been found in a secret compartment of her secret handbag", says the Daily Mirror. "A London fashion expert, who is also a director of Times Newspapers, said . . . the handbag is undoubtedly genuine. . . . (She) tells in revealing, passionate detail of the stolen moments she shared with her famous lover . . . the strolls along the beaches at Dunkirk . . . the weekends in Warsaw, Kiev and Paris . . . Hitler's tears at the news of the mass bombing of Coventry, Plymouth, London, Leningrad, Moscow, Clydeside, Birmingham, Rotterdam. . . ."

The Daily Mail finds the high salaries and substantial perks enjoyed by senior officials of the National Trust extremely disturbing: "Where charities are concerned, especially those supported by the subscriptions of humble people, a certain frugality should be observed – and seen to be observed."

"The decision to ban all lead in petrol by 1990 is the biggest single breakthrough in pollution control since the Clean Air Acts a generation ago", The Observer said yesterday. It praises the Royal Commission's report as "masterly", effectively doing what the Lawther committee failed to do three years ago.

Bond winners

Winning numbers in the weekly draw for Premium Bond prizes are: £100,000: 8LN 203902 (winner comes from Dorset); £50,000: 25VF 551485 (South Yorkshire); £25,000: 8WN 521376 (London Borough of Newham).

Weather

A depression will remain to the SW of the British Isles.

London, SE England, Midlands: Sunny intervals, showers developing, heavy at times; wind mainly SE, moderate; max temp 12 or 13C (54 or 55F).

East Anglia, E, NW, central N England, N Wales: Rain clearing, sunny intervals developing but also showers, some heavy; wind E fresh, veering SE, moderate; max temp 10 to 12C (50 to 54F).

Central S, SW England, Channel Islands, S Wales: Showers, heavy and prolonged at times; a few sunny intervals; wind E or SE, moderate or fresh; max temp 12 or 13C (54 or 55F).

Lake District, Isle of Man, NE England, Borders, SW Scotland, Northern Ireland: Becoming cloudy, outbreaks of rain, heavy for a time; wind NE or E, moderate or fresh, locally strong; max temp 8 or 9C (46 or 48F).

Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Moray Firth, NE Scotland: Dull and misty, occasional drizzle, coastal fog patches; wind NE, moderate, increasing fresh, locally strong; max temp 6 or 7C (43 or 45F).

Glasgow, Central Highlands, Argyll, NW Scotland: Mainly dry, a few bright or sunny intervals; wind NE moderate, locally fresh; max temp 8 or 9C (46 or 48F).

Orkney, Shetland: Mostly cloudy, occasional rain or drizzle; wind NE, moderate or fresh, locally strong at first; max temp 5 or 6C (41 or 43F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Wednesday: Sunny intervals and showers, heavy at times; near normal temperatures but rather cold in NE.

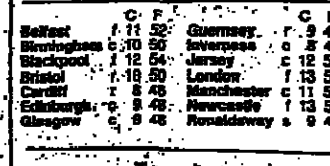
SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea: Wind South, light or moderate; sea moderate becoming slight. Strait of Dover, English Channel (W), St George's Channel Irish Sea: Wind E to SE, moderate to fresh, occasionally strong in Irish Sea; sea moderate.

Sun rises: 5.46 am · Sun sets: 8.13 pm
Moon sets: 5.33 am · Moon rises: 5.59 pm
Full Moon: April 27.

Lighting-up time

London 8.43 pm to 5.13 am
Bristol 8.53 pm to 5.23 am
Edinburgh 9.09 pm to 5.12 am
Manchester 8.57 pm to 5.16 am
Penzance 9.01 pm to 5.38 am

Yesterday



		C	F			C	F
Belfast	f	11	52	Guernsey	r	9	48
Birmingham	c	10	50	Inverness	c	8	46
Blackpool	f	12	54	Jersey	c	12	54
Bristol	f	10	50	London	f	13	55
Cardiff	r	8	46	Manchester	c	11	52
Edinburgh	c	9	48	Newcastle	f	13	55
Glasgow	c	9	48	Ronaldsway	s	9	48

London

Yesterday: Temp: max 7 am to 7 pm, 16C (61F); min 7 pm to 7 am, 5C (41F). Humidity: 7 pm, 58 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 7 pm, nil. Sun: 24hr to 7 pm, 9.5. Bar, mean sea level, 7 pm, 1004.4 millibars falling.

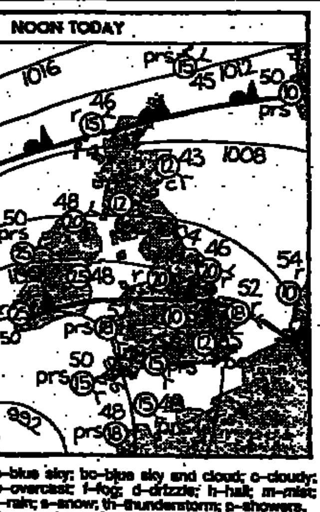
Saturday: Temp: max 7 am to 7 pm, 13C (55F); min 7 pm to 7 am, 9C (48F). Humidity: 7 pm, 73 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 7 pm, 11in. Sun: 24hr to 7 pm 2.0. Bar, mean sea level, 7 pm 100 millibars, steady.
1,000 millibars = 29.53 in.

Highest and lowest

YESTERDAY Highest day temp: Northolt, London Weather Centre, 16c (61F); lowest day max: Lerwick, Fair Isle, 7c (45F); highest rainfall: Aberdeen, 0.05 in; highest sunshine: Gorleston, 11.7 hr.

SATURDAY: Highest day temp: Heathrow, 15c (59F); lowest day max: Cape Wrath, 5c (41F); highest rainfall: Finningley, 0.91 in; highest sunshine: Sandown, 7.8 hr.

NOON TODAY Pressure is shown in millibars FRONTS Warm Cold Occluded Symbols are on advancing edge



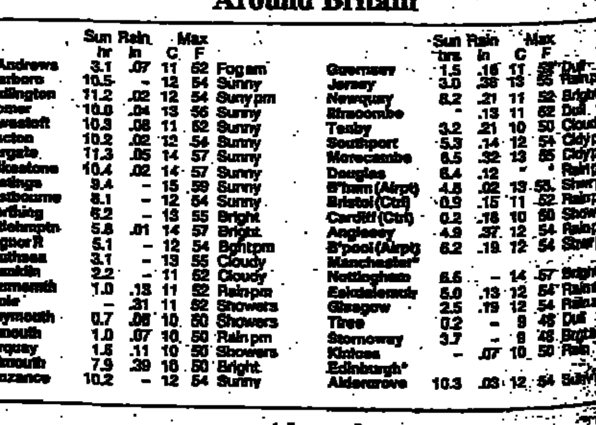
b-blue sky; bc-blue sky and cloud; c-cloudy; o-overcast; f-fog; d-drizzle; h-hail; m-mist; r-rain; s-snow; th-thunderstorm; p-showers. Arrows show wind direction, wind speed (mph) circled. temperatures fahrenheit.

High tides

	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	1.04	6.7	1.28	7.1
Aberdeen	12.49	4.0	12.54	4.1
Avonmouth	6.44	12.6	7.12	12.9
Belfast	10.31	3.4	11.06	3.2
Cardiff	6.30	11.6	6.55	11.9
Devonport	5.25	5.3	5.55	5.5
Dover	10.43	6.3	10.57	6.5
Falmouth	4.55	5.1	5.26	5.1
Glasgow	12.34	4.3	12.35	4.5
Harwich	11.34	4.0	11.46	3.8
Holyhead	9.51	5.5	10.19	5.4
Hull	6.58	7.0	6.01	7.2
Ilfracombe	5.30	8.7	5.57	8.8
Leith	1.58	5.3	2.19	5.2
Liverpool	10.49	9.2	11.18	9.4
Lowestoft	9.15	2.3	9.12	2.4
Margate	11.52	4.7	11.58	4.8
Milford Haven	5.44	6.8	6.11	6.8
Newquay	4.37	6.8	5.09	6.8
Oban	5.32	3.8	5.01	3.7
Penzance	4.26	5.4	4.55	5.4
Portland	6.13	2.0	7.08	1.9
Portsmouth	10.55	4.4	11.25	4.7
Shoreham	10.49	6.0	11.33	6.1
Southampton	10.26	4.3	10.52	4.5
Swansea	5.54	9.1	6.20	9.3
Tees	3.16	5.1	3.37	5.3
Walton-on-Naze	11.24	4.2	11.49	4.4

Tide measurement in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.

Around Britain



	Sun hr	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
St Andrews	3.1	.07	11	52	Fog am
Scarboro	10.5	–	12	54	Sunny
Bridlington	11.2	.02	12	54	Suny pm
Cromer	10.0	.04	13	56	Sunny
Lowestoft	10.3	.08	11	52	Sunny
Clacton	10.2	.02	12	54	Sunny
Margate	11.3	.05	14	57	Sunny
Folkestone	10.4	.02	14	57	Sunny
Hastings	9.4	–	15	59	Sunny
Eastbourne	8.1	–	12	54	Sunny
Worthing	6.2	–	13	55	Bright
Littlehmptn	5.8	.01	14	57	Bright
Bognor R	5.1	–	12	54	Bghtpm
Southsea	3.1	–	13	55	Cloudy
Shanklin	2.2	–	11	52	Cloudy
Bournemth	1.0	.18	11	52	Rain pm
Poole	–	.31	11	52	Showers
Weymouth	0.7	.06	10	50	Showers
Exmouth	1.0	.07	10	50	Rain pm
Torquay	1.6	.11	10	50	Showers
Falmouth	7.9	.39	10	50	Bright
Penzance	10.2	–	12	54	Sunny
Guernsey	1.5	.16	11	52	Dull
Jersey	3.0	.38	13	55	Rain pm
Newquay	8.2	.21	11	52	Bright
Ilfracombe	–	.13	11	52	Dull
Tenby	3.2	.21	10	50	Cloudy
Southport	5.3	.14	12	54	Cldy pm
Morecambe	6.5	.32	13	55	Cldy pm
Douglas	6.4	.12	–	–	Rain pm
B'ham (Airpt)	4.8	.02	13	55	Shwr pm
Bristol (Ctl)	0.9	.15	11	52	Rain pm
Cardiff (Ctl)	0.2	.18	10	50	Showers
Anglesey	4.9	.37	12	54	Rain pm
B'pool (Airpt)	6.2	.19	12	54	Shwr pm
Manchester*					
Nottingham	6.6	–	14	57	Bright
Eskdalemuir	5.0	.13	12	54	Rain am
Glasgow	2.5	.19	12	54	Rain am
Tiree	0.2	–	9	48	Dull
Stornoway	3.7	–	9	48	Bright
Kinloss	–	.07	10	50	Rain
Edinburgh*					
Aldergrove	10.3	.03	12	54	Sun pm

Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow.

		C	F			C	F			C	F			C	F
Ajaccio	s	17	63	Copenhgn	c	9	48	Majorca	s	19	66	Rio de Jan	f	19	[illegible]
Akrotiri	s	20	68	Corfu	s	19	66	Malaga	c	17	63	Rome	[illegible]	15	[illegible]
Alexandria				Dallas				Malta	c	18	64	Salzburg			
Algiers	s	21	70	Dublin	c	9	48	Melbourne	f	18	64	Sao Paulo			
Amsterdam	f	13	55	Dubrovnik	s	20	68	Mexico C		–	–	S Francisco			
Athens	s	19	66	Faro	f	19	66	Miami				Santiago	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bahrain	s	30	86	Florence	c	18	64	Milan	c	16	61	Seoul	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Barbados	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	c	14	57	Montreal				Singapore	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Barcelona	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Beirut	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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